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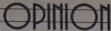
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Reflections of small-town Quebec

"Les Separatistes" rule tiny Val D'or

ET JONATHAM MURPHY

ummer has finally come to the Canadian north.

Joan Osborne's voice blasts out of the speakers on the Avance bar's outside terrace, asking if God was "just a slob like one of us." Everyone's wearing shorts and T-shirts, lobster-red arms and legs rush to catch the sun's fleeting rays.

Growling, neon-painted low-rider trucks crawl by in a main street small-town ritual, stopping every few hundred feet to acknowledge friends and brag to rivals, finally moving on amidst a chorus of good-natured honks.

On the edge of town, mine buildings rise up above the scrubby bush, casting a dusty shadow over the road.

The long, lonely ribbon of as-

phalt ties the minerals to markets, in exchange for California peaches and pornography. Day and night, giant trucks rumble by, brushing past smoke-belching beaters and scattering grubby Native kids on bicycles.

It's the June 1. Every day, the flies multiply. A week ago, there were none. Next week, only hardened locals will venture out without reeking of bug spray.

For now, though, once the sun goes down the evening is fresh and cool. Late into the night, there's a buzz of activity as boats and trailers are checked and greased, rifles cleaned and fishing tackle retrieved from its fall resting place.

At Home Hardware the skidoo oil is being packed away, replaced by huge pails of barn red paint.

This weekend, maybe next, we'll open up the camp.

Spring rituals are the same in Terrace, Yellowknife, Fort McMurray, Thompson, Eliot Lake and a thousand other little towns strung like beans on a necklace across the barren land, far above the borderhugging cities. Where once stood only temporary camps filled with boozy tattooed bachelors, are real towns whose residents have put down shallow roots on the rocky Canadian Shield.

Little gardens are planted out-side the double-wides and, every year, one or two new swings and rading pools appear in the neighborhood. Soon enough, there'll be a cappuccino bar.

But for now, the waitress in Del Cafe still welcomes almost everyone by name, pouring the same

weak coffee out of the bottomless carafe for the unshaved miner com-ing back from the weekend's bender and the suited head of the Chamber of Commerce.

And, for the newcomer, a hand on the shoulder and a mandatory slice of dessert sweet enough to put your teeth on edge. There's an ashtray on every table. Most of them are being used.

Breaking the necklace

This is Canada. But it's also Quebec. Last October, nearly threefifths of the people in Val D'Or vot-ed to break the Canadian necklace. What on earth were they thinking? Then I, too, think. Back to con-

versations around the water cooler at the office in Edmonton. When we talk about Quebecers, it's always a monolithic them. Their demands, their whining, their prob-

Outside the Del. Lucie's bullshitting as usual, laughing, cajoling, waving her arms and absently flicking cigarette ash over the nervous little guy with suspiciously curly hair.

From what I can understand of rapid-fire French, he's trying to avoid making a donation to her neverending campaign to be elected Liberal MP.

As soon as he escapes, she whis-pers loud enough for him to hear, 'He's a separatiste!" in a tone usually reserved for child molesters.

She's in her 50s, Gallic elegance belying a sturdy character with more moose-hunting stories than most red-blooded Albertans.

Chances are, she'll never be elected and will never win a majority here in a sovereignty referendum. But even in a town where you hear as much English spoken as you do French in Lethbridge, there are thousands of Lucys.

I was with her in Ottawa on referendum day last year. She told me that if the vote went the wrong way, she was going to fill up the pick-up and just keep driving till she reached Ontario.

And then what? 'Start over, I guess."



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Future looks Black for media Southam buyout could set nasty precedent

n a modern world, where the 500-channel TV universe has been threatening to descend upon us for the last few years, one must wonder why one media mogul wants to control Canada's newspapers and our wire services. Yet this is exactly what Conrad

Black and his Hollinger Inc. want

Not happy with having control-ling interests in most Canadian dailies, he wants to take over even more newspapers and our made-in-Canada wire service, the Cana-

dian Press.

Just last week, Hollinger's spokesman said it didn't want to shut CP down, just reduce its labor force. The justification was that if Hollinger had control of more Canadian dailies, it wouldn't need as

many CP staff. The dailies, after all, could feed the wire service, instead of the other way 'round.

Well, that might save Hollinger Inc. a few hundred jobs when it Inc. a few hundred jobs when it comes to its weekly pay packet, which may enhance the already handsome profit ratio it enjoys. Of course, this would not be good news for any of the reporters or editors who might get laid off.

At the expense of risking my friendship with good old buddy Conrad (grin), it would be even worse for Canadian newspaper

Monopolies in newspapers are dangerous. They lead to top-down editorial policies. Us daily newspaper junkies never miss the Op-Ed pages. Many of us are influ-enced by the editorials.

If one person is dictating the flavor of those editorials, guess

what? We could readily be given to nodding our heads in agreement, especially if all of them are spout-

Hitler and Stalin used this type of monopoly to their own political advantages, while claiming their respective countries to be free and

But in the meantime, they used their powers over the press to dis-seminate their ideological propa-

I am not suggesting Hollinger Inc. would necessarily do the same

Go for many sources

However, Conrad Black's ide-ology is well known. He is a free-

enterpriser.

And so, even though you may still read my thoughts in writing in

Vue and The Edmonton Sun and hear them on CBC-TV, I encourage you to continue to seek a wide source of media information and

If you don't, I fear Conrad Black and his monopolistic tendencies will attempt to influence your way

will attempt to influence your way of thinking way past what a democratic environment should allow. Only in Canada, you ask?
"Pity," you automatically answer, in response to an old Red Rose Tea commercial.

That, however, was funny. This issue is not. Ask the captive audiences of Rupert Murdoch's empire in Australia, Britain and elsewhere. They know they are getting only one editorial line in their Op-Ed pages and in their so-called objective reporting.

They can't tell the difference be-tween the two. Not at all funny.

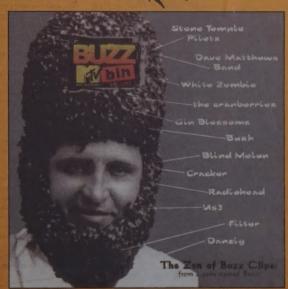
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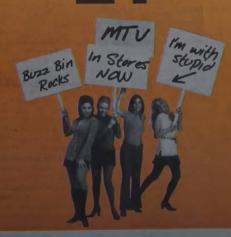


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Debugging David Frum's neo-conservative agenda

Commentator attempts to unite the Canadian right

COMMENTARY

BY MICHAEL J. BERRY

Whether or not one agrees with the views of neo-conservative David Frum, there can be no denying his effect on the journalistic scene as one of the foremost proponents—many would say apologists—of the late 20th century's version of unfettered free enterprise.

In Edmonton recently to promote his new book, What's Right—a collection of thoughts and observations gleaned from his own journalistic endeavors—Frum paid a visit to the offices of CJSR.

Frum is anxious to have his platform adopted as the guiding principle for our new age and is unapologetic about his approach. Fresh from his "Winds of Change" conference in Calgary (it sought to forge a new understanding between conservative thinkers and believers from western and eastern Canada) Frum answers critics who stress the elitist and narrow-focused nature of the conference—like noted Red Tory Dalton Camp, who called it the "Breaking of the Wind" conference.

Repeating MacKenzie-King's notion that "some countries have too much history; Canada has too much geography," Frum says "it is surprising how badly conservatives from western Canada and those from eastern Canada know each other; they don't really know each other at all.

"This conference was a very successful event in this important way: we pulled all of these people together in a room and had a really wonderful couple of days with an amazing degree of comradliness and friendship and those people really got along.

"I don't think it is time quite yet that these people will be working side by side in the next election, but they will be allies in the one after that."

This optimistic sense of purpose is very much part of David Frum's modus operandi. Never mind that his definition of conservatism is vastly different from what most would use or that the free market cure-alls he proposes make no account of the myriad abstractions that make us part of the Canadian mosaic. Frum's message is based on simple forces. Nowhere is that more evident than in his notions of community/society and state.

Like most ideologues, Frum prefers to work from his own definitions, which can then be employed in place of serious, concrete proposals to effect the changes desired by the concerned maiority.

"One of the things that conservatives, as an intellectual group, are very concerned about is the problem of community. The difference between the liberals and the conservatives is when liberals hear the word 'community' they think of the state. They don't understand the difference between the state and the community.

"The conservatives understand that community is not the same as the state and needs to be protected from the state."

While there are certainly examples of state interference in the lives of ordinary citizens that infringe on local perceptions and standards, especially relating to moral issues (abortion, gay rights, gun control, etc.) the fact remains—and this is not dealt with in Frum's definition—that the entity know as state has to be by necessity more than the sum of its parts.

Common wealth

Its job is not to make the world safe for the free market but to attempt to balance all competing interests in a nation-state for the "common wealth." Just because some governments—including the Liberals—have failed to do so does not render that notion invalid.

As American philosopher Joseph Tussman wrote in his 1960 essay Obligation and the Body Politic, "it is not the tool of our impulsiveness but the instrument of our deliberate selves; it is people doing as they think best, and this is not always what they want."

Or as Wayne Skene notes in direct contrast to the neo-conservative agenda proposed by Frum, "membership in the body politic involves not simply a recognition of common or national values and good. It also entails recognition

that one's own interests constitute only a subordinate part of a broader system of interests.

"Unfortunately in their (singleminded) pursuit of wealth creation and consumer (not citizen), most neo-conservative thinkers hope to avoid that part of the equation."

Still, Frum does not come across as the quintissential neocon ogre he's been pegged. Some of his observations are astute. They cannot be dismissed as mere rhetoric. Many Canadians of all political stripes feel Newt Gingrich and the U.S. Republican right have been the primary influence on our nations' Reform and neo-conservative thought.

While it is certainly true many negative American ideas do flow north, Frum is quick to point out one of the many ironies surrounding our dealings with our neighbor to the south.

"The United States has actually learned a lot from Canada," says Frum. "And could learn more. In the area of tax policy, while it is true that our taxes are more onerous, our tax system is much better—and fairer—than theirs.

"And the man who did the polling for Newt Gingrich's 'Contract With America' cut his teeth, so to speak, polling for the Reform party the year before. In effect, Gingrich's 'Contract With America' was in many ways derived from the experience and example of the Reform party."

We may question whether or not to feel good about such examples exported to feed ideologies which will later be turned back on us.

But, there is no denying Frum has put his finger on the pulse of at least one aspect of political and ideological change in North America: the problem arises when it becomes the only aspect of change discussed with no attempt made to even acknowledge alternatives.

If it really were that cut and dried, there would be no problem fixing things. The fact we can't, or haven't, would indicate the problems that beset us as citizens, society, nation and yes, even consumers, are much too complex to be solved by the mere adherence to—and application of—a nebulous set of neo-coservative ideals that are set up to benefit the privileged few.

We can argue definitions until the cows come home, but if we are to surmount the obstacles that face us we cannot naively place our faith in the supposed goodwill of the marketplace.

If Frum, through his writing and public pronouncements (still, thankfully, given more credence in the United States than in Canada), can serve to remind us of the momentous challenges we face as we enter the next millenium, he has served a valuable purpose.

We can listen, but we need not adopt. We are capable of better. When all is said and done, the notions of neo-conservatism (what John R. Saul refers to as "the exact opposite of conservatism") are firmly rooted in the inequalities of the past—hardly suitable to answer the challenges of the present.

David Frum is likeable, erudite

David Frum is likeable, erudite and full of media savvy. But he is wrong, because the ideology he proposes, regardless of the terms in which it is couched, belong to bygone days; we must find new solutions, ones based on our present realities for, as Edmund Burke once so succinctly noted, "You can never plan the future by the past."

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Edmonton makes two saves **Yue from the top**

dmontonians imitated Curtis Joseph last week, making two major saves for organizations which mean a lot to the city.

Of course, there are the Oilers, who made the NHL-imposed deadline and sold 13,000-plus season tickets, assuring themselves of a multi-million dollar subsidy designed to help small-market teams stay competitive in the era of the big-time dollar contract. There's no excuse for Peter Pocklington now—he must re-sign Doug Weight and Zdeno Ciger (Jason Arnott could be packaged into some kind of deal or trade à là Shane Corson—his inconsistency has been a sore spot and his market value is still high).

and his market value is still high).

The Oil also used last week's press conference at city hall to unveil their new uniforms. Edmontonians had cause to be afraid. With Captain Highliner gracing the front of a garish turquoise Islanders jersey, Boston designing a piss-yellow third shirt and Buffalo's awful red, white and black, the trend in new uniforms (with the exception of those wonderful new Wahington Caps jerseys) is definitely on the ugly side. But the new solid dark-blue road uniforms with copper piping are classy. The team decided not to change the logo, opting to focus on the team's rich tradition. Thanks, Oilers, for not stabbing

Another save was made on the theatrical front. The Angels of the Fringe campaign received some moderately good news last week. The promotion, originally geared to raise \$110,000 for the cashstarved festival, ended up with \$86,000 after a two-week extension. Two weeks previous, the program sputtered badly. But Edmontonians responded with enough dough to save a stage from being cut. The festival will still be reduced in '96, but the bleeding won't be quite as bad.

So, a theatre was saved from being put on ice. Ice hockey was spared another season of "we'll-move-to-Nashville" theatrics. Sports and the arts don't generally mix well—but they both provide Edmonton with a lot of fringe benefits.

Peeling for Playboy

TV CULTURE BY ARAXI ARSLANIAN

et's face it girls. The daily grind can bore a hole in your Ab-flextoned belly. One minute you're coasting through the bliss of stealing smokes in high school, the next you're in a Cathy cartoon complete with leaky White Out bottles.

You planned for greater, brighter things. But it turned out that guidance counselor was right after all... you can't be a model, writer and trial lawyer in less time than it takes to get your tax refund in the bank. I know Cricket Romalotti did it on the soaps, but that was TV. Those lying bastards

What's a girl to do?

Plenty, if you're flexible, have a good personality and long for mass exposure. There's always a place for hard-working girls under the Playboy umbrella.

Did I say ... Playboy?

Pine no more, ladies. Representatives of the bunny logo were in Edmonton last week searching for the stars of tomorrow. Apparently Canadian girls do it better. Entertain, that is. But where to start?

This roller-coaster ride of romance begins with your local paper and modeling agencies. Faxes are blasted from Playboy HQ in Los Angeles to a plethora of open vessels that take these faxes and let the people know the search is on. But terror! There are 200 other

girls vying for the same! Maybe you were mistaken. How could you think you were good enough to compete with all these natural beauties? You have last year's run of Maybelline cosmetics when they all sport the very best mail-order pancake and.

No. Stop that. Thinking never got a girl anywhere but Weight Watchers. Playboy is about personality and that certain inner glow. So you march into that hotel room and cross your legs like Carmen Miranda.

Enter: Eric Mittleman, top producer of Playboy TV for five years now. He's been "... personally responsible for the number one videos for the number one company in the number one industry in the number one city in the world.

A coup-de-force at 5'1", Mittleman has produced the likes of Nightcalls, Hot Rocks and Strip

"There's something beautiful about every woman," he says. "People have been taking pictures of them through history. Specfically, the Mona Lisa and cave paintings of women. But it's not just looks. It's personality that makes the difference. Society is moral in all the wrong ways. It attacks anything that isn't understood. Specifically sexual feelings can lead to great things. And to bad things. It's a positive-negative effect.

I heard that. But... what is it he's looking for exactly?

Mittleman puts a finger to his chin contemplatively. "I'm not looking for anything except to be wowed," he says. "We'll spend about \$250,000 per home video and most of that is making the girl look good. She'll be paid maybe \$500 to \$1000—that's more than the average income. And the Playboy Entertainment Group is expanding through-out the world."

And how much do the cameramen make, you ask? Mittleman waves the question off.

"I don't know the exact figure

in Canadian dollars." he says. Good enough, you say. After all, the exchange rate is confusing.

The producer explains the specific processes by which a girl becomes a bunny. First, the meet and greet with the press, then the bikini contest.

You're on the precipice of greatness. Your mom picks you up and you rush off to dress for success at your local mini-mall.

It's the big night. Your teasing comb has giving its last best effort and retired with dignity. You've tanned at the ultra-violet bar like no other girl has or will ever do again.

Yes. You are a star.

The room is abuzz with producers hopeful for the local Playboy contract, agents handing out lingerie flashcards, assistants to Mr. Mittleman and, of course, the press.

It's time for the photoshoots on the patio. Swanky mags have you pose with cheesecake on Mittleman. Bend over, they say, we can't get you in the shot. You happily oblige.

It's almost 7 p.m. Your audition is in half an hour! You jump in your mom's Chevrolet and she drives you lickety-split to your date with destiny at the Gentleman's Club at the Highway Motor Inn.

You remember what Eric told you about the 10 dos and don'ts of Playboy audition etiquette as you race though red lights.

· no peroxide blondes or splitend white-trash dos. Playboy is strictly a class operation.

· Playboy supports only natural beauty and is distinctly sili-

*sun yourself against the stage lights-it's sexy because it looks like the beach.

· don't be shy to rut the floor. Poles can also be used.

· don't walk in your four-inch heels like they're concrete slabs. They should look like a heel but feel like a sneaker

·be sure to paint your fingernails with white nail polish. It shows up well under the blacklite, when you're pretending to fiddle with your nether regions.

· don't talk to the slobbering yobs in the audience while you're auditioning. It ruins the vamp illu-

* don't be too vampy. Men won't

like you if they think you're bossy.

• be sure to throw flashcards of yourself into the crowd. Spreading your legs to the public often isn't enough.

· make sure the blanket you writhe on matches your tear-way teddy and bra. It looks more pro-

There's a reason the toonie was invented. Don't stoop to pick

Lesson one in How to Convince Playboy Reps You're Interesting.

up the dimes that old fat bad guys throw you. These pricks don't understand anything about inflation. It's beneath you.

Three songs and a tear away outfit later, you're done. You know you aced it. The crowd is aroar with approval. It was the upsidedown-pole-hang-with-legs-spreadand-dismount move that did it. You ignored the blaring statistics of stripper brain injuries from pole mishaps and carried on.

The phone call you receive the next week tells you it was worth it. You are the only one selected to be on the new Strip Search in September. Good on ya girlfriend! You made it! You're a star!

What happens to you after your contract? The fate of ex-playmates has been as mysterious as the location of the missing planes and boats lost in the Bermuda Triangle

The question is posed to Mittleman. Has anybody ever gone on to a college degree after the Playboy experience?

Mittleman puts his finger to his chin contemplatively.

"No. But it'd be cool if it did happen.

And they said you wouldn't







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These boots are made for...

BY KEN ELCISIN

'm sure many women about where they can acquire m sure many women worry footwear. When she's putting a pair on in order to take it off, the issue becomes more sensitive.

The demands for strippers boots are quite high. On top of being comfortable, they have to

Also, five-inch stiletto heels are the norm. In the past, it's been tough for a lady to find the

Last year, Kelly Pikula has

stepped onto the scene.

A few years ago, he went out with a girl who wore granny boots but found them hard to locate. Hooking up with a distributor in Vancouver. Kelly started bringing them into the city With his business The Sole Man,

he supplies Edmonton, Calgary and is starting to ship to Sa katchewan and Manitoha

The majority of the clients are strippers and escort services although he also caters to the market of drag queens and cross dress ers. Between these two fields he meets demands that mean shoe sizes as large as 13 or replacing pairs every two weeks.

Pikula's feelings on his job: "The clients are fun to work with."

Strippers go for brass ring

MORE TV CULTURE

BY KEW ILCISIN

Arriving under the guise of searching for natural beauty, Playboy popped into town last weekend. What the scouts weren't so forthcoming about was were seaching for talent to appear on their number-one rated program, Strip Search.

After three days of surprise after suprise, we were informed that Sally, who was described last issue as a newcomer to Playboy's fields of flesh, has been stripping for the last five-and-a-half years. It was a fact she felt wasn't pertinent at the

Not all of the girls who arrived for Playboy had experience in the field. One 19-year-old came without the knowledge of her parents. Throughout the weekend she never seemed completely comfortable with going all the way and Playboy hopes to hook her up with the likes of Baywatch.

But, for those who bare it all for a living, this was the brass ring to beat all brass rings. Sally felt the pressure not to screw up was enor-

"You have to make sure your tummy is pulled in and your chest is stuck out.'

Beyond performance pressure what other stresses exist? Tracy explained how other people's reaction to a stripper can be a problem. She explained how she had to keep it a secret for a while. Now. all her friends support her and her husband is actually a male strip-

There must be plenty of perks to keep so many females in the field. Stripping for eight years and looking to leave the field is Katera

With a two-year-old child she hopes for a stint with *Playboy*. Otherwise she is leaving on a plan she imparts to all those new to the

"Rookies who come in think it's great. It is very flattering and fun. But go for the money, put it away and don't be stupid because it's going to pass."

Site for sore eyes

ven though the Internet is brimming with pictures of naked men and women doing things only trained gymnasts can do-I resist the urge to spend thousands of dollars checking out online porn. Now, fair and sensible readers, if I am forced to check out an adult site, I'll go there for the arti-

After a disclaimer like that, whose web site are we inevitably going to cross? None other than that of the popular bunny, the site that epitomizes youth at heart (and other parts as well), sensuous music and, uhm, great articles.

We are talking of course, about the *Playboy* Enterprises web site http://www.playboy.com. Is this a site that Hef would surf? You

Start with the un-smut topic the Playboy Jazz festival. Unbeknownst to me, jazz fan extraor-dinare, Playboy has sponsored an annual jazz festival since 1959. Miles Davis played the Playboy festival in Los Angeles and Chicago. This year's line-up features jazz heavyweights such as Michael Brecker and McCoy Tyner, with the festivities hosted by Mr. Family Values himself-Bill Cosby

So, what does a skin mag have in ommon with jazz music? Not only does Hef really dig the beat, but the "nature of the music is consistent with the magazine's mission." As well, "it is music that is sometimes profound, sometimes raunchy, but always exuberant in celebrating life."

always exuberant in celebrating lite.

There's also a sweepstakes using a 1-900 number. The grand prize? You get an all-expenses-paid trip to see a pro-football game in the company of the Playmates of year 1995 and 1996. I dread this

month's phone bill.

In addition to getting the late
scoop on the lazz festival, you ca

check out some unpublished screen shots from Pamela's Anderson's latest CD-ROM and read. Ar-

ticles, that is. The entire texts of each month's articles are published on-line under the heading "And for those of you who actually read the articles." (Is there another reason to pick up the mag?) As well, you get previews of the pictorials in this month's issue with an unpublished photo. This is a brilliant move: it leaves something for users to find out when they buy the magazine

In addition to the current issue, they also have a "historical issue" (this month: June 1964), which includes select articles, the interview with the Playmate of the Month, and a nude photo. (Chil-

dren, avert your eyes!)
For those of you who confuse
Miss June 1996 with Miss September 2995, they have Playmate pag-es dating back to July 1995 when they started e-publishing. Naturally, all of this skin laying

around for prying eyes to see certainly does upset some congress-people. *Playboy* was a target in the recent passing of the CDA (Communications Decency Act)

(Communications Decency Act)
making it illegal to view even the
mildest smut via the internet.
"Playboy supports censorship
in the home," explains producer
Eric Mittleman. They go out of their
way to work with net blocking software such as Parent.net and Surf-

Certainly skin will never go out of style. And skin-servers such as Playboy will thrive as the Internet becomes their main distribution mechanism. Even now, they are one of the Internet's most popular one of the Internet's most popular destinations, reporting a staggering 5.3 million hits on their web site for May 24, 1996.

Guess those articles are really

Jeff Barnum is still recovering from the past weekend after meeting Playboy bopefuls. Disappointed Playboy Playmates can e-mail Jeff at <jeff@vue.ab.ca>.

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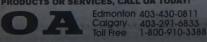
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TJELUM HOW TO DO IT

FASHION BY RYAN GREENWOOD

ashion is a business where most people talk, few people deliver and even fewer deliver the goods. So, when an emerging fashion designer surfaces, mainstays on the fashion circuit ralse their eyebrows and wait for the excitement to fizzle out.

Notably talented 24-year-old Pernille Tjelum says these people may have to wait quite a while before she fades from the fashion circuit.

If her well-constructed and creative garments are any indication, it may never happen.

Tjelum is the in-house designer for Maija-Liisa's, the boutique located in LeMarchand Mansion. She

also creates a collection bearing her name.

"I think I grew into a fashion designer. After high school, I started in business school. While I was doing that, I was apprenticing in a retail store where I learned about window-dressing. Before that, I had worked with a tailor doing alterations.

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"When I was working with the tailor, I had all these ideas of what I wanted to do. But I couldn't draft a pattern or sketch anything. So the tailor would draft the pattern and I would get these incredible colors," says Tjelum.

Although she grew up in a small town in Denmark, Tjelum recognized fashion as a viable business venture. She also knew she had to move to a larger city to experiment with a fashion design career.

Then an opportunity arose which brought Tjelum and her father to Canada. Edmonton was the destination because of family already living here.

She enrolled in the Fashion Design program at Marvel College and graduated in 1992. Tjelum won the People's Choice award from the Great Designer's Guild competition in 1996.

"In my opinion, the People's Choice award is the most important award because they are my customers," says Tjelum. "I didn't expect to win, but I knew this collection was a huge step away from my previous work."

This collection is brilliant by many standards. First, the construction of the clothes is impeccable.



Model: Minh, Streit Model Management Hair: Lloyd Bell, Propaganda Hair Makeup: Sherry Vanstone Fashion: Pernille Tjelum

Second, it's marketable, wearable and creative enough to stand out as a designer garment. Lastly, it's unlike anything else out there.

Another thing you should know about Tjelum, she's one of the ones who knows how to deliver the

Yardbird remembers Stroup

BY JEFF BARNUM

ast week, a light in Edmonton's jazz community flickered into darkness.

Bob Stroup
—educator, musician, and mentor—died last
Thursday morning of liver cancer.

Stroup was born in Midland, Mich. on Oct. 23, 1937. His musicianship won him a spot on Woody Herman bandstand. He played the Ed

Sullivan Show and New Year's Eve at New York's Birdland ball-

In 1975, Canadian jazz icon Tommy Banks invited Stroup to work and teach in Edmonton. For 20 years, Stroup taught at Grant MacEwan Community College, shaping the lives of future jazz artists.

He continued to perform and write, leading groups such as the Festival City Pops Orchestra and his own ensemble—which recently released a recording featuring trumpeter Marvin Stamm.

A few weeks ago, he was



Bob Stroup: 1937-9

seen at one of the popular Tuesday night jam sessions at the Yardbird Suite. As recently as the Sunday before he died, he performed there with his quintet, celebrating the release of his latest CD.

The majority of the Edmonton jazz community gathered Sunday at the Suite for a remembrance party, which featured a full-blown jam session. Jazz music, the music from Stroup's soul, filled the Yard-bird once more.

Stroup is survived by son Jeremy and longtime companion Joy Archer.





Craig Kielburger is one hell of an animated speaker.

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Burden of youth

Child activist works to combat ignorance

BY STEVEN SANDOR

ost 13-year-olds are con-cerned with the important things in life-the NBA playoffs, struggling through the rigors of puberty, wondering if Peter Parker and Mary Jane will stay together and what flavor slurpees are available at the local 7-Eleven.
Or so us dumb adults thought.

Craig Kielburger, a 13-year-old Toronto-area native, might just change our simplistic views of teenage morality. After reading the story of Indian child rights advocate Iqbal Masih (the 12-year-old, once an indentured laborer, was slain for protesting child labor conditions in his home country), Kielburger formed Free the Children, a youth-run collective that pressures governments and corporations to abandon child exploitation and abide by United Nationsset standards. The group embarked on a \$200,000 fundraising campaign to build a rehab/education centre for 100 bonded Indian child laborers.

Kielburger has also pressured External Affairs Minister Lloyd Axworthy to pass a law allowing for the importation of only Rugmark carpets into Canada. These carpets are guaranteed not to have been made using children. As well, Kielburger advised the Liberals to pass a bill allowing Canadian pros-ecutors to clamp down on Canadians who travel abroad to abuse

When the Team Canada delegation, led by Prime Minister Jean Chretien, traveled to Asia last year to drum up business, Kielburger caused a stir by reminding them, through the media, of India's sorry child labor situation. His activism has forced him to

lead a busy life. He's been to India, Geneva and Washington to meet world leaders and children. He's planning a trip to Haiti. Yeah, so much or the slurpees

Yeah, so much or the slurpees.
"Young people do want to get
involved. They want to help," Kielburger said Monday at a press conference. He was in Edmonton to
participate in the Global Visions
festival and visit schools in the

"It is the world's responsibility to make sure children aren't exploited...The issue of child la-bor is not on the front page of newspapers, but it does need to be changed."

changed."
While Kielburger doesn't support boycotts of major multinationals who use child labor, he does believe working conditions in the Third World are everybody's responsibility.

"It comes down to a question of greed and exploitation," he said. We need to ask the question, 'how much of the problem is us?"

Kielburger supports letter-writing campaigns to major corporations. He said many are unaware, due to the amount of sub-contracting and bureaucracy, that child labor is being utilized to make their

When he toured India last year, Kielburger did see some progress The southern province of Kerala had a communist government for over two decades. It passed strict child exploitation laws and set education standards. While this article in no way pretends to be an endorsement of communism the literacy rate in Kerala is the best in India-by far.

New chapters

Kielburger feels his organization, which is opening chapters in Germany and Brazil, must pressure governments to institute education standards - getting children out of the workplace and into

"We have to change attitudes that child labor is necessary—that parents will starve or their chil-dren will starve if children are taken out of work. But, in India, there are 55 million child laborers and 60 million unemployed adults."

He said society must stop us ing poverty as an excuse for child

Kielburger encourages a pro-gram that would place an adult into the workplace for every child taken out.

In response to a journalist who wondered out loud if child labor was necessary because only they possessed hands small enough to perform intricate rug work, Kiel-burger said that misconceptions are the true enemy of children's

He said he visited a rug-mak-ing factory in Asia. The manager told him children didn't have the told him children didn't have the attention span needed for intricate work and were used only for
"cheap western carpets."

Kielburger knows his age
makes him a novelty for the media.
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He doesn't feel like he is being manipulated—more that be's controlling the photogs and newshounds who follow him throughout the globe.

"I've learned that you can exploit the media for what you're looking for."

Kielburger has made an extraordinary rise from the 'burbs to

traordinary rise from the 'burbs to the Global Village. While the media may exploit him to sell papers, his image is, helping children world-wide. And that's OK with him.



Everclear has burst onto the scene. Can an appearance on The Simpsons be far off?

WATCH THE WORLD DIE (SCREAMING)

Everclear enjoys meteoric rise to stardom

ALTERNATIVE

BY STEVEN SAMPOR

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Success can be sweet—But Art P. Alexanis is learning.

Everclear's songwriter, lead guitarist and singer is finding that having a number-one album, Sparkle and Fade, and a number-one single ("Santa Monica," quickly becoming the new Romantic teen anthem of love and nihilism) isn't all it's cracked up to be. It makes being a fan of the Seattle Sonics, the NBA's perennial chokers,

seem comparatively easy.

Alexakis begins the phone interview in very un-rawk-starlike fashion. He bitches about the NBA Western final.

"I'm a huge Sonics fan. I hope they don't fucking choke against Utah. I'm not expecting them to win a championship. They won't beat the Bulls. But I just hate Utah. I hate Karl Malone. Seattle has to win and defend the Northwest's

As we all know, Seattle beat Utah in seven games

As we all know, Seattle beat Utah in seven games. In his home town of Portland, the local media has turned against the home-boy-made-good. In a May issue of Portland's Willamette Weekly, Alexakis was called the city's "hottest rocker" and the "most unpopular." Alexakis refused to speak with his home-town magazine for the article.

"You have to learn to accept that people just don't treat you the same," says Alexakis. "People treat you weird. They think they know who I am because of my lyrics. They really have no fucking idea of who I really am."

But Alexakis won't lose any sleep over how his fans treat him.

"I don't really fucking care about how people perceive my songs. I don't really try to figure that out." Admittedly, it has been a hard slog for Alexakis and his bandmates (bassist Greg Montoya and drummer Craig Ek-

When he was 12, Alexakis watched his brother die of a heroin overdose. His girlfriend died a year later from the same cause. That didn't stop Alexakis from trying the needle himself. He became a junkie. He attempted suicide. Now 34, he's been off smack for 12 years. And while some of his

songs, like Sparkle and Fade's "Heroin Girl," use references to his past, Alexakis maintains he is not writing anthems

"The media makes more out of the heroin thing than there really is. They read the word 'heroin' into every song I write. I write about relationships, the things I've been through. I don't want to be known as a drug songwriter. 'Heroin Girl' is a song about relationships. All the songs on Sparkle and Fade are about some sort of relationships with others, with yourself, with the world around you."

The rise to top-10 status hasn't been easy for the pop

punk trio. The band's indie debut (later picked up by EMI) World of Noise, didn't attract much attention. Sparkle and Fade was released early in '95 and fizzled for a year before major-market radio discovered the catchy "Santa Monica" guitar hook and the now famous chorus:

"We can live beside the ocean/leave the fire behind/swim out past the breakers/and watch the world die.

Alexakis claims the song was never meant to encourage new generation of teen suicide freaks.

"Santa Monica' is a manifesto of pure romance. 'I'm going to lose myself in you. We'll leave everything else behind and watch it die.'"

behind and watch it die."

It took over a year for the world to get a grasp on Sparkle and Fade, but Alexakis credits the band's butt-busting, not radio programmers, for finally getting the ball rolling.

"The rise has been really gradual," he says. "It really hasn't been an overnight thing, It's not like one night we're playing a club and the next we're playing an arena. The only thing I've been nervous for was a radio-show taping in front of 40,000 people. That was a different experience. It was both intimidating and exciting. But you have to adjust and get used to it. That's part of being a human."

The band had to change its recording schedule to compensate for its new-found stardom Because of the time it took Sparkle and Fade to break, the band is embarking on a world tour a year after the album's release. The trio was scheduled to go back into the studio this summer to work on its third album. Now, a tour of Australia and Europe has scuttled those plans.

Sparkle and Fade will reach gold status in Australia before Everclear hits the stage in Sydney for the first time.

Not bad for a band that couldn't even get decent airplay on college radio stations a year ago. A new album can wait a bit,

"I have 23 songs already written," says Alexakis. "I'll also produce the record [like the band's previous two efforts]. I'm dying to get back into the studio to flush these songs out."

Will Alexakis ever turn over control of the band to another producer? Wouldn't Butch Vig create some crunch on the band's bottom end? How about guitar-sound-god Matt Wallace? Not in the near future, says Everclear's

"I'd be lying if I said I've never thought about it. I've considered it. That's where it stands.

Don't get too excited about hearing much new material when Everclear brings its act to the Dinwoodie Lounge later this week. Alexakis says only one new song is ready to be

Even if Everclear amasses a string of number-one singles which surpass even the Beatles, don't call Alexakis a rawk star. He says the last thing he wants is idolatry.

"People now expect me to be larger than life. I can relate. When I was 12, Joe Perry and Jimmy Page were larger than life to me. But the last thing I want is to be larger than life."

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And how does this translate when the band has to play in front of thousands of screaming fans every night?

"For sure, playing an arena is different than playing a club. You have to be larger than life for people."

Ahh, the trials of stardom. But at least Alexakis can still kick back and watch basketball, right? This is a man who began the interview by saying the Sonics are his life.

"Oh, there's no way I can watch game seven Sunday night," coughs Alexakis. "We've got a photo shoot that day. We're going to be on the cover of Spin."

Sorry, Shawn Kemp. You take a back seat to music stardom.



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Lads try to recapture **Canuck audience**

BY REM FLCTERIN PIE

Ithough they may have been Aborn on a pirate ship, as their new album (their third) title suggests, the Barenaked Ladies are Canadian-born and based.

Local interest in these native sons has started to wane while our southern neighbors are just starting to hop onto the bandwagon. Guitarist and co-songwriter Ed Robertson finds it disheartening to sell out 13,000 seaters in the

United States.
"I love my Canadian identity but unfortunately Canadians tend to brush their past heroes under the carpet fairly quickly. It's a bit of a drag because we feel we're doing some of the most exciting music we've ever done and some of the best live shows we've ever done. People in the U.S. are really responding to it in a positive way.

I just think we suffered from overexposure in Canada.'

Added to this is the tension created when keyboardist Andy Kreegan decided to leave the band Even though they wondered about the fate of the band, bassist Jim Kreegan, drummer Tyler Stewart and lead singer/co-songwriter Steven Page decided to see if the fourpiece would work.

Going back into the studio with Michael-Phillip Wojewoda, producer of their first smash album Gordon, they were able to rediscover what the band was all about. They wanted to know if they were good enough to keep going. In the studio, they realized they needed to combine recording styles. The band's second album was very meticulous and sterile but allowed them to discover how to work in

They combined that with the spontanaeity of the first album and came out with a completed CD all

are proud of. Richardson also feels Wojewoda is the best producer for them and believes he helped the band regain the trademark BNL

Feedback has also aided the band's conception of itself. Richardson finds the Internet wonderful because people can respond quickly. About a year-and-a-half ago he received an e-mail which was a detailed analysis of one of

the band's songs.

Proving that the band has returned to its playful, sarcastic roots, Richardson rants about the new album

"If people haven't picked up the new record it's possibly the greatest record ever made. I've heard a lot of records including those Beatles fellas... I'm just real-

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Filter aren't hired

ALTERNATIVE BY KEW OLCESIN

Filter. If the band had one it would use it. Brian Liesgang (keyboards/programming/guitars/ drums) is stressed out these days by the millions of times he must answer the same questions.

Due to the band's past statements, both artistically and to the press, he gets asked two things all the time. First on his hit list are inquiries about the hit single, "Hey Man Nice Shot."

No, it is not based on Kurt Cobain's suicide but actually draws its influence from the death of R. Bud Dwyer, the politician. After stating he was wrongly accused of criminal activities, Dwyer blew his brains out on national TV

"It's not a pro-suicide song. It's about having guts in the face of adversity."

The other comments which bristle Liesgang are remarks about the band being electronic music snobs When the album (1995's Short Bus) came out, the band made rather heavy-handed comments about people who don't appreciate the role of electronics in music. Liesgang wishes he had been more tongue-incheek with the original remarks.

He expains his updated view of Filter'smusic.

"We're not so much an electronic band as a rock band that uses electonics. The sound we're striving for is not neccesarily overtly electronic. We're more

into organic sounds and the capabilities and potentials that these computers and samplers give us now We probably spend more time with guitars.

Two years ago, neither he nor bandmate Richard Patrick (vocals/guitars/bass/programming/drums) had these problems. During a 10-day cross country trip to help record Nine Inch Nails' *The Downward Spiral* they both realized they didn't like being hired guns. Also discovering they shared similar tastes in music, they vowed to work together in the future. Six months after the pact made at the Grand Canyon, Filter was born.

Now, these two seem bound for a career filled with major exposure and all the stress associated with it. They've toured with White Zombie, Smashing Pumpkins and now Ozzy Osbourne. They hope to record on James Iha's (Smashing Pumpkins guitarist) upcoming solo album and have songs on the X-Files album and the soundtrack to The Crow II. Filter hopes to have a new album out in two years. Although the duo are ready now, they won't be able to get to it till then.

How will the band sound four years after their

Liesgang explains: "We're not as angry any more Now we have a little more confidence in our abilities and we're trying to get aggression without anger."

Filter Ozzy Osbourne Collseum June 8

SIAN of things to come

ALTERNATIVE

BY KEN

You pick up the paperback and flip through a few pages. After a minute, you decide to judge the book by its cover. Suddenly the buzzer from Family Feud sounds in the page of the page.

in your head.
With somber, ambient guitar tracks and passive vocals it's easy to believe that the four members of SIANspheric' are mopey lads. Bassist/vocalist Steve Peruzzi insists there is nothing farther from the truth. He relishes any chance at meeting his fans or talking to the press.
The Sonic Unyon band is touring to support its debut album, Somnium.

"People think we like to stay home and cry but I really like to joke around. It (public exposure) is a good way for us to show our other side. The music is a way for me to get frustation out."

It wasn't this way a couple of years ago. Peruzzi used to be in Gleet, another Sonic Unyon band. He, drummer Matt Durrant and guitarist Sean Ramsay decided to leave Gleet. During this period, Peruzzi saw another guitarist who he thought fit the direction the

he thought fit the direction the band was going in.

After convincing Paul Sinclair to join, they realized he was a natural. During the first day playing as a quartet, they wrote five songs. Besides touring and getting ready for their next album, SIANspheric has just finished a video. They also have two versions

of "I Like the Ride:" a version edited for radio and a second 17 minutes long. Stringing two songs together and basing the video around a space theme, Peruzzi jokes about it being their "Thriller."

Songs are the focus of these four Burlington, Ont. boys. Although they are reported as jovial and light-hearted, music is still a matter of utmost

ed, unuscristint a matter of utmost seriousness. They work constantly at fine-tuning their sound, and are almost never satisfied.

"I'm laughing at the old album now and I hope to be doing that with the new album two years down the road," finishes Peruzzi.



Big mouth and small egos for Mason

BLUES/ROOTS BY MICHAEL I. RENBY

Wide Mouth Mason must be doing something right. The Saskatoon-based group has just re-leased its long-awaited debut CD, The Nazarene, and is set to embark on a North American tour to promote it.

The group is attracting majorlabel interest although the independent blues trio are not "rushing into anything right now," says guitarist and lead vocalist Shaun Verreault.

It was only a few months ago that Verreault, Earl Pereira (bass, back-up vocals) and Saf Javed (drums/back-up vocals) were in Edmonton to regale local audiences with their brand of blues fire and impress jaded scribes.

Now all manner of glowing testimonials now precede them-kind of like rice thrown on the steps of a wedding-on their march to the top.

Yet the band has no dreams of instant fame and point to its four years of slogging while attending the "university of the road" as an experience that, along with allowing them to mature, has taught them caution.

"We're using this CD and tour to basically open a few more doors," says Verreault, "and not to jump into things too fast, not get caught up in the machine. We want to keep our heads down, keep playing music and wait for something we feel right about.

"We don't want someone looking over our shoulders telling us how to make a song a hit. If a major label wants to help promote us, that's fine—it's great that they're showing an interest, but we're keeping to our philosophy of 'what instinctively feels right usually is and not let ourselves be swayed."

Another aspect of the band that bespeaks its maturity as it stands ready to enter the grinding maw of the music business is a willingness

Playing music is a constant learning process, yet too many bands often reach a point where they no longer feel they can be taught anything—and usually fail the next test.

"We feel confident we are capable of doing what it takes to make our music sound good," Verreault says.

"And one thing we really feel good about learning is how to arrange our music. Whether its augmented keyboards or added percussion perhaps or extending a passage here or shortening one there, we now know we can do it. We find that arranging is also intu-itive for us and we have learned to alter the form to bring out the best

Could the band be accused of providing accomplished background music—'alternative muzak,' if you will?

ak, if you will?

Pereira observes that "some people use music in different ways. Some do use it as background noise or stuff to hum along to, with no real understanding of what is being played. Others let it get right inside them and affect them in different week.

"It's easier to deal with the KKK types who are open about it. With them, I know where I stand and I can handle that."

-Earl Pereira on dealing with racist audience members

tured for posterity, so it's certainly not backgrounding to us.

The CD release party held at the Commercial Hotel May 28 the band played all week at that venerable blues locale-was also anything but "backgrounding." Wide Mouth Mason played to a packed house and major label reps were in and out of the venue all

This positive response is in direct contrast to the reception the band received in Provost, Sask, during one of its "adventures in yokeldom" tours the group cites as having such a profound influence on its development.

This incident also drew attention to the band's multi-ethnic makeup. They feel the latent racism still part of modern life, though they point out that such negative responses are not, thankfully, the

The band ran into some aggressive and strident "lower-case KKK types—racists in training who were trying to pick fights with us; there were guys giving me the finger right up to my face," says Pereira.

"Another guy was asking me what boat I came over on," adds

Javed. "He wanted to fight real

"Then," says Verreault, "the RCMP tried to kick us out of our hotel, but when Carson (Cole, the band's producer) started raising a stink by threatening to call all his media contacts and asked for their badge numbers, they relaxed real quick and became super-apologetic."

Javed notes "it's easier to deal with the KKK types who are open about it. With them, I know where I stand and I can handle that.

"The more subtle, non-overt ones are the scary sorts because they don't believe they're 'like that' and can justify anything to them-

Wide Mouth Mason point out this proclivity towards racism is "not just limited to places like Provsays Javed.

"The problem is that racism is everywhere; it's just diluted a lot more in larger centres. Mainly though, we look at this as an observation issue: if you want to notice it you will, and if you don't you won't. The vast majority of people we meet are really cool; those KKK types are basically aber-



Preserved for freshness: Wide Mouth Mason

The final wrap on COCA

INDUSTRY BA MEN HAZZANIA

So what happened behind those closed doors? Since most of you weren't at the Canadian Conference of Campus Activities (COCA) here's a brief summary.

After five days and, for some, many drinks it wrapped on Wednesday. Some walked away with tours, others with itineraries and others with hangovers. Like any conference, there were three distinct types of attendees. The long time programmers who were there to sign and deal; the intermediatelevel people who where there to figure out how to program; and those to whom life is just one big party, festivals not excluded.

Admittedly there were those Admittedly there were those who had legitimate reasons for celebrating. Although all bands were talked about, the major interest was in the Punters, the Blue Meanies and Melanie Doane, who hooked the most listeners and should rejoice. All of these acts should have

joice. All of these acts should have major cross-campus touring schedules in the coming year.

The band that no one would stop talking about was the Travoltas. With their ability to entertain, play and travel to easier times (I guess some people think the '70s are them) they wormed their ways into everyones thoughts.

Also well-respected was the barts have they

Also a success were the education sessions for experienced individuals. In the past it has focused more on the rookies. Advanced seminars went over big time.

Next year the conference is cohosted by Fanshawe College and University of Western Ontario, both in London. Paying tribute to this years organizer, Katherine Huising, Fanshawe manager Doug Young made a simple statement.

"It takes three guys from cen-tral Canada to do what one woman in the west did."

COCA reflections

INDUSTRY

BY GARY MCGOWAN

You never know who you'll run into at these music conferences...

 Terry McBride, manager of Sarah McLachlan and head honcho of Nettwerk Music, was a keynote speaker at this year's COCA conference. Despite splitting his time between Vancouver and New York City these days, he didn't just fly in and out of E-

McBride was spotted at the Saturday night showcase at the U of A's Dinwoodie Lounge. Having recently assumed management duties for the Barenaked Ladies, McBride was pumped on Nettwerk's plans to lure the group into a big deal in the USA. "We really think the new single ("The Old Apartment") will work in America," enthused McBride of the 'Ladies new power-chord-slamming hit.

As a manager committed to pushing new cutting-edge music it was fortunate he exited the Saturday gig early. Despite a line-up of talent that included Newfoundland Celtic wonders the Punters and Edmonton's Molly's Reach, what really excited the university and college talent buyers was a disco-era paredy band from Toronto called the Travoltas. Abba rules, people...

• Facing down a Rev full of university and college talent buyers for the first time can be intimidating coopies. Doing it without your band's lead McBride was spotted at the Saturday night show

guitarist, well... that's the situation Jessica Schoenberg faced at the Sunday afternoon COCA showcase.

Lead player Mike Binnedyk had two unbreakable commitments that weekend: Jessica's gig and his brother's wedding in Toronto. E-town air connections being what they are, Mike was en route from the International when the showcase began.

Into the breach stepped Welcome guitarist Stewart Kirkwood. He played the first couple of songs with Schoenberg before Binnedyk came running onstage to a chorus of cheers and hi-fives to complete the set.

No word on whether the talent buyers expect this "tag-team" guitar drill to be part of the Schoenberg

Spotted at the Buyer's Exhibition in the Convention Centre was Kay White. She and husband Michael are storied names in Canadian music, having been involved in the early days of Blue Rodeo and the more recent worldwide success of The Tea

Party.

Attending COCA to promote the roster of the couple's booking agency, Trick or Treat, White was also enthusiastic about its latest management signing—Junkhouse.

The Hamilton group has just added Colin Cripps of Crash Vegas to its line-up in time for its spot on the Scorpions/Alice Cooper tour that will touch down in Edmonton on July 9th.

Business is business, but White was really basking in the glow of the gourmet tour of Chinatown that old friend (and local MCA Concerts rep) Tommy Ong had treated her to on the Saturday night of the conference. Sometimes a deli tray just won't do...

Theatrics vanish from Gowan's criminal mind

BY ADRIAN

Is Name is Lawrence. He is the Artist Formally Known as Gowan... But you can call him Larry.

"I went back to using my full name two records ago," said Gowan. "I just felt there was such a shift in my sound that it was time to try a lot of things differently."

One of those changes was how the industry addressed him.

Gowan's pass through Edmonton is on the heels of his latest release The Good Catches Up on his own record label.

"The title comes from a good feeling of assertive, positive energy that was present when we were making the album," said the classically trained musician.

"It was mainly put together by two peo-ple: Eddie ("Hit Me With Your Best Shot") Schwartz and myself. When choosing the songs, I stayed away from more of the darker themes that I've been known for. We're living in a time where people seem to be negative about just about everything, which is a complete contrast to the '80s. We were looking for music that was a release from all

Gowan experienced a shift in his music and how it is presented on record and on stage. The focus is now to be more of a singer/songwriter

"That came about as a result of a lot of people now viewing what went on in the '80s as being very false. And that all came to a head with the Milli Vanilli scandal. 'Are these musicians, or just television props? And, being a person that loves music, I could understand how they felt

"I was beginning to wonder if that's how I was viewed. As a reaction to that, I decided to abondon the theatric elements that I was associated with, and focus more on the

One single incident that might have motivated this change was an incident where

back-up singers were hired for a session dressed in cowboy duds

"On the last album, we hired a couple of really great soul singers to do some tracks They thought they were hired to sing on a Larry Gatlin album. In order to impress bim. they put on the cowboy gear and came to the studio. When I came in, they looked at me and said, 'Gowan? He's singing on this album too? Wow!' That's what made me use Lawrence' instead of 'Larra

Another lesson in humility came with Jon Anderson hanging out in L.A. during the recording of Gowan's single "Moonlight

"We were at a Dodgers game that afternoon and here I was, a huge Yes fan in complete awe. Jon was just being a regular guy. When we went to record later that evening, he could turn it on, just like that." Another brush with greatness happened when Gowan recorded in Ringo Starr's home

"I was tempted to nick a souvenir. I looked into a room that had several drum kits-one of them had the Beatles' logo on the bass drum-

and I thought, 'Aw, he won't miss one of

But I realized that this guy has spent his whole life with people taking a piece of him He saw me eyeing stuff and, as I was leaving he handed me a pair of drumsticks and said, 'If you're looking for something to take, how about a pair of these."

Lawrence Gowan The Thunderdome June 10

Folk Fest roster looks strong for '96

FOLK RY PAULA E.

Some changes, some surprises and some great music are all in store for those attending the Edmonton Folk Festival this ome changes, some surprises and some

Festival organizer Terry Wickham is enthusiastic about this year's line-up, which includes a wide array of singer/songwriters, world beat performers and Celtic artists.

"It's very strong in singer/songwriters," says Wickham. "I think it's our strongest year ever in that area. We also have some of the premium people in Celtic and world music like Paul Brady, Four Men and a Dog and Wolfstone as well as strength in guitar-ists like Martin Simpson and Bert Jansch.

We've spent more on the line-up than we ever have, about \$60,000 more, and we're only charging another dollar to get

Wickham claims "there will be a lot of nice changes this year."Some festival-goers may be relieved to learn the tarp wars and races for the best spots are things of the past.

"The site has been expanded—there's going to be a lot more comfort, less sound bleed and we're upgrading the workshop tents. There's also going to be more crowd management. We're going to take some of the pressure off."

Headliners include Jann Arden, Joan Armatrading and Blue Rodeo. The festival will close out with k.d. lang.

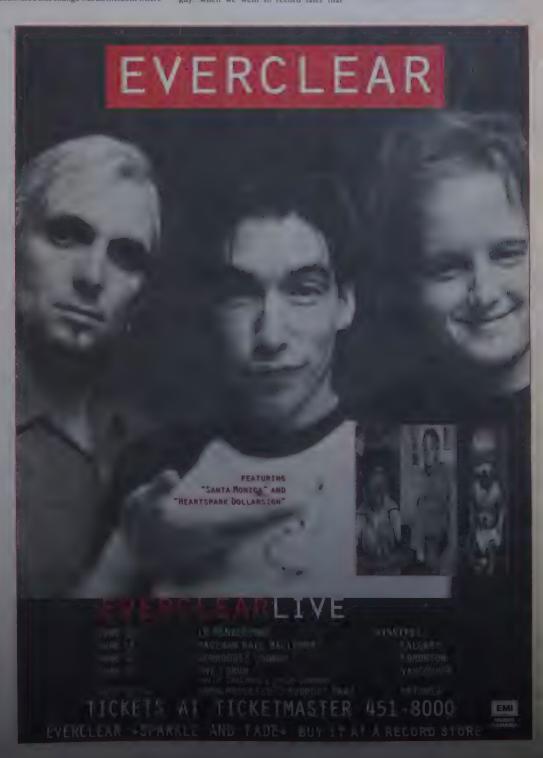
She last played the festival in 1985 and this will be her first performance in Edmon-

ton since 1989.

"The Folk Festival in Edmonton has a world class stature, so we think it's the perfect place for her to come back and play. It's going to be a very special occasion and her manager said that it's the show she's most looking forward to playing this summer."

Bruce Cockburn, Nashville bad-boy Steve Earle, and local Celtic rockers Captain Tractor are also slated to appear.

dmonton Folk Festival '96



Chix dig Sub-Pop

ALTERNATIVE

owtown isn't known as a bastion of teen-rock. That may change after Cowtown isn't known as a Dastlon of technology. That they come to the hippest Chixdiggit! hits it big. With a record deal with one of the hippest labels on the planet and a lively stage show, it won't be long until the quartet makes it to the stage of the Coliseum.

OK, that might be a bit of a stretch, but the band does have a refreshing quality—it refuses to pander to any "alternative" trends. In fact, the band (guitarist/singer K.J. Jansen, guitarist Mark O'Flaherty, drummer Jason Hirsch and bassist Michiel Eggermont) doesn't take any trend too seriously Last year, Jansen warmed up a throng of thirtysomething moms, crowded into the Rev to see the Bay City Rollers, by screaming "I want to hump you!"

The band's reputation as a live act is solid throughout the West. With the release of their self-titled album on Sub-Pop, the United States is the band's next target. They've already done opening stints for the Reverend Horton Heat and the Presidents of the United States of America

"Opening for those bands was fantastic," says Eggermont over the phone from Seattle. "We were coat-tail riding. We got to play in front of

The last thing Eggermont wants to do is to be in a band that saves the world. The new album clocks in at less than half an hour. Its 15 tracks sound like demos from a basement heavy metal band.

"It's not a lot of fun to immerse the audience into the singer's problems," says Eggermont. "A lot of bands do it—we're not into it. We have a good time Miraculously, audiences show up to watch us have a good time.

Still, being signed to the Seattle label that housed übermoper Kurt Cobain and releases Sebadoh records has put the band in an uncomfortable situation. Many people think Chixdiggit! might be a (gasp!) grunge

'We're not like the other bands on Sub-Pop. Some people are going to be surprised. In fact, I'm not going to name names, but I don't even like a lot of the bands on Sub-Pop. In L.A., an exec came up to us and said 'you guys have that Sub-Pop sound.' What a heap of shit."

The band was actually a figment of Jansen's imagination before it ever

took the stage. He designed a Chixdiggit! T-shirt based on a fictitious band. Calgary high schoolers went nuts over it.

"We watched the shirts sell more and more," finishes Eggermont. "We thought, 'ahh, shit. We should buy some guitars.' We thought maybe someone would come out and watch us play."

Chixdiggiti w/SIANspheric & Tristan Psionic The Rev June &



Spin Doctors in a rut

EPIN DOCTORS
You've Got to Believe in
Something (Epic/Sony)

Quick, somebody give this band a road map 'cause it has no idea where it's going. Ever since the success of Pocket Full Of Kryptonite in 1991, the Spin Doctors have been suffering from "what next?" disease. Two albums later and they're still noodling around trying to find a sound.

trying to find a sound.

In some cases, their experiments succeed. The infusion of gospel singers on the title track and the banjo beginning of "House" are two instances. But the rest of the album has them failing. Their major problem is the entire recording sounds like these four pursuare training was too hard to make a result of the sounds. guys are trying way too hard to make a popular follow-up to their first major-label recording. Noteworthy is the hidden track, a cover of "That's the Way Like It." Do yourself a favor and don't find it.

Ken Belein

DOUBNE AND TORNEON Victory Train (Free Radio)

Counting on Bill Bourne to come out with good stuff these days is a given. With the man's experience and his knack for connecting with great sidemen, it's no real surprise that this al-bum is a killer.

The title track and others like "The Mango Song" are great singalongs. The band is in fine form. Johnson's "Shannon's Tunes" is a stunning showcase of fiddling, starting off in mellow traditional form, ending with the sort of bowed pyrotechnics we've come to expect from Ashley MacIsaac. Handle this one with absestos

Georges Giguere

COURTABBILO Skyward is Triumph (Sub-Pop)

This Oregon duo (with the odd helping hand from Beat Happening and Halo Bender-guru Calvin John-

son) get a lot of mileage out of volson) get a liot or initiage out of volu-ume. Most guitar/drum duos tend to be understated popsters. Not god-HeadSilo. Don''t even think that for a fucking minute. The pair create a wall-of-guitar sound which is pun-ishing yet melodic, brutal yet sim-

There's a guitar sustain on here that lasts several minutes; "Booby Trap" is a punk-popster reminiscent of early Jawbreaker (before they went Orange County) singles. "Buttress of Solitude" is severe punishment to the listener who demands mediocrithe listener who demands mediocri-ty, godHeadSilo aren't going to give in to any stylistic mores, so expect nothing but sweet brutality. The band's instrumental style is very sim-ilar to Earth, another avant-garde noise band Sub-Pop signed a couple

noise band Sub-Pop signed a couple of years back.

This is an awesome, original and groundbreaking effort. Anyone who thinks of Sub-Pop only as the label which created Seattle grunge has a serious shot to the head coming, godHeadSilo are but one of the extince one bread of bands the label. citing new breed of bands the label is associated with. Bookend this with Six Finger Satellite's Severe Expo-sure, and you have two of the most groundbreaking albums to be re-leased in the last half-decade.

Steven Sundoe

DON'T BE A MEHACE TO SOUTH CENTRAL Original Soundtrack (Island/Polygram)

I'm not sure, but I believe this is the soundtrack to a movie parodying gangsta rap. What I do know is this is a superb collection of current R&B and hip hop, some of it exclusive to this disc and some from recent albums by artists like R. Kelly and Mobb Deep.

This week's

newest discs

Almost everything on this sound-track is top-notch and I would rec-ommend this wholeheartedly to an-yone into R&B or hip hop. If you've yone into R&B or hip hop. If you've been buying uptown soundtracks, you'll find this one to be one of the best so far. Contributors include Raekwon, Lost Boyz, Jodeci, Erick Sermon, Luniz Isley Brothers, Doug E. Fresh—you get the picture. Now get the disc. This is hot, hot, hot!

VAJUOUS ARTISTS Metamorphoses: The Genesis (Teldec)

This is a collection of Gregorian chants and traditional choral music, sung by the Osnabrücker Jügendchor and merged with electronic sounds.

Composers include Purcell, Obrecht and Messiaen. But some of the choices of songs bog in obtrusive synth, giving the listener a passport-to-thegates-of-doom kind of feel.

It's an interesting concept, mixing elements of sound to come up with a new hybrid. It works in some of the cuts (like Purcell's)—but on other cuts (Messiaen and some of the Gregorian chants) the sombre feel and annoying chants) the sombre feel and annoying echo from the voice and synth of Vladimir Ivanoff are superficial and

overly long.

The process is experimental and certainly leaves one in a holier mood

Paul Compassi

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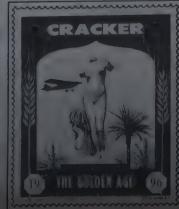
RAWLINS CROSS: Living River (Warner) Any new release from Raw-lins Cross is cause for delight. This is no exception. The Atlantic Celtic-rockno exception. The Atlantic Celtic-rock-ers whip up a merry storm on their fourth album, including several songs from their most recent shows here. There's the wild pipes in "Wild Rose" and a serious butt-kicking ensemble playing throughout. Vocalist Joey Kit-son's leather-lunged bellow does well with the band, too, showing firm control and easy humor. This is one album that everyone will like. (Giguere)

SACKVILLE: Low Ebb EP (Mag Wheel) Whoa! This band may be the best thing to come from that whole Maritime hype-thing-scene. Combining Io-fi indie rock with traditional Maritime jigs, a new hybrid is created. It's exciting and downright great. Violins, lap steel and mandolins augment singular, underproduced (in a good way) guitar bits. A rousing, but understated debut—I'll be in line when a full-length effort hits the shelves. (Sandor) SACKVILLE: Low Ebb EP (Mag fort hits the shelves, (Sandor)

CONGLOMERATE: Armaghetto (Earth Music/Cargo) It's obvious the band uses the Beastie Boys' earthy, juicy hip-hopping grooves as the basis for their raison d'etre. But someone

should mention to these guys that the should mention to these guys that the Beastie Boys are hardcore as well. After getting through all the production gimmickery, there's no disguising the fact Conglomerate produces nothing more than feel-good elevator music. This is urban music designed for your parents' enjoyment. Stay away, unless you need the sleep. (Sandor)

TROY CASSAR-DALEY: Beyond the Dancing (Columbia) Cassar-Daley is the typical country moaner and groaner. Singing songs about farming, his home town, and being miserable about every single facet of my colleagues muttered something about "truck-driving music." Although his summary was interesting. I think truck drivers generally have to stay awake on the job. (Hough)



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Mogge (Peter Mygind) peeks around a corner of the hospital in The Kingdom.

Dragonheart a funfest

BY JASON

While Twister has outstanding special effects and Mission: Impossible is trying to win audiences with its all-out action, this year's early candidate for pure summer movie fun is Dragonbeart.

Not only-does it have impressive special effects and non-stop action, but it also has another crucial ingredient: a story! And although the story takes a while to achieve full throttle and peters out with a cheesy ending, there is much enjoyment to be had with this Dungeons and Dragons epic.

Bowen is a dragonslayer who once was the virtuous knight protector of young Prince Einon. Einon was injured in a peasant revolt and saved from death by the healing gift of a dragon, forever bonding the prince with the kindly beast. When Einon later grew into evil King Einon, Bowen disa-vowed him, believing the dragon's corrupting pow-ers had tainted the king. Thus Bowen set about to rid the land of dragons

rid the land of dragons.

He did too good a job, however, and soon there was but one dragon left—coincidentally the very same dragon who once saved Einon (I'm not wrecking any surprises here, despite the film's feeble efforts to conceal this fact.). The dragonslayer and the dragon attempt to destroy one another but find themselves locked in a humorous stalemate. With little choice, the two go into business together: the dragon pretends to threaten villages and Bowen pretends to kill the dragon, fleecing the native villagers for the unlikely duo's mutual benefit.

ly duo's mutual benefit.

Along the way, Bowen and the dragon (eventually bestowed the name Draco) meet up with Kara, a young revolutionary leader, and Gilbert, a bumbling monk who fancies himself a poet. When the foursome is discovered as a dragonslaying fraud, Bowen is sparked to return to the Old Code of Knighthood and leads the others in an effort to rid the world of the despotic King Einon.

A complex story indeed, but it flows along rather easily, sometimes skipping over little trifling points of logic (who needs 'em, anyway?).

This works, primarily because the performances are capable. Dennis Quaid instils Bowen with both heroic pride and a sense of humor, but thankfully refrains from annoying tag lines. Quaid has spent too much effort trying to be serious in his recent films such as Wyatt Earp and this is a refreshing turn, closer

to his performance in *Enemy Mine*.

Pete Postlethwaite, last seen in *James and the* Giant Peach, manages to keep Gilbert from becoming too annoying and shows relish when it is discovered

the monk happens to be an expert archer.

As Kara, Dina Meyer (Brandon's married girlfriend from 90210) is suitably feisty, although her wig is sometimes distracting. David Thewlis (Nakea) wickedly delivers as King Einon, bringing to mind fellow British thespian Tim Roth's Oscar-nominated turn at foul in Rob Roy

Dragonbeart is also a welcome return to the screen for Julie Christie (Dr. Zbivago), who plays Einon's mother, Queen Aislinn

And finally, there is the dragon, possibly one of the most unusual and charming characters to come along in a while, and definitely the best since Pete's Dragon.

Draco seems very much a living creature and not just some Industrial Light and Magic digital effect

just some Industrial Light and Magic digital effect matched with Sean Connery's volce.

The dragon is what makes the film tick, and it's too bad that director Rob Cohen (Dragon: The Bruce Lee Story, which only marginally deals with dragons) chose to hide the dragon for the early parts of the film. When Draco is onscreen, the film comes to life.

Dragonheart probably won't beat out Twister or Mission: Impossible at the box office and it's not going to inspire great debate in film journals like Cabiers du Cinema, but for the moments it holds your attention it may live up to its promise: you will believe.

Dragonheart Cinepiex Odeon

BA BESSELT

his is one of those films that can be described as weird but it is more than that. Weird doesn't really cover it.

In the first place, this is really a miniseries, shot for Danish TV by acclaimed director Lars von Trier. The Danes have really good taste

In the second place, it is about a hospital (the location really is a hospital-the National State Hospital in Copenhagen) that is slowly being reclaimed by the bog on which it is built. This bog has some real mystical properties. It might be more accurate to say the bog is taking over the hospital.
The other thing about this bog

is that it was the place where launderers went to wash clothes, utilizing the strange gases and waters to bleach the laundry. These people were called Bleachers.

The third reason this is so weird is that, for the most part, these medical professionals accept the presence of ghosts and their ilk whole-heartedly, as though spirits and demons are an everyday part of life in a hospital.

And finally, it is weird because it is over four hours long and never repeats itself. Pretty weird. May-

be even extremely weird. May-be even extremely weird. Everything is shot in sepia tones, giving the same sort of yel-low look as faded newspapers. And all the independent filmmakers out there should note that this film was shot on 16mm, transferred to and then edited on video, transferred back to 16mm and then blown up to 35mm for its theatrical release.

The film follows three characters as they go about their business in the hospital. There is the resident neurosurgeon who everybody likes and has the best handle on what is going on in the place. He is remarkably un-heroic, constantly backing down when confronted and never taking a

There is the consulting neurosurgeon, a Dane-hating Swede, who is incompetent. It is this in-

competence that forced him to come to work in Denmark. In spite of his bluster and self-importance, I felt the most sympathy for him, more or less, since he is adrift in strange happenings that nobody else is finding all that strange.

And there is the patient. She is a medium who contacts ghosts. She makes contact with the ghost of a little girl in the elevator shaft The body of the girl is kept in formaldehyde in one of the hospital's many laboratories.

Lars von Trier's last film was Zentropa. The Kingdom is similar to Zentropa-it doesn't focus on any one character but develops the story through the interactions of all of the characters.

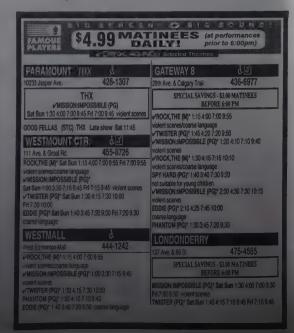
The Kingdom is one of those films that is not so much seen as experienced. It is extremely weird. but worth experiencing.

The Kingdom Metro Cinema June 6-8

THE KINGDOM (1994) Twin Peaks meets The X-Files meets ER in this four-and-a-half hour follow-up to the 1990 film Europa, originally shot for Danish television. In a hospital situated in an ancient swamp, a patient makes contact with the ghost of a child murdered by her father and kept preserved in a specimen jar. Her investigation brings her into contact with a voodoo anesthetist, a cocaine-distilling resident patient, a Danehating Swedish doctor and two mysterious mongoloid dishwashers. Stars Ernst Hugo Jaregard and Kirsten Rolifes. Dir. Lars Von Trier. (June 6-8, 8 p.m.)

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GUNFIGHT AT THE O.K. CORRAL. (1957) A vivid, sprawling depicti of the legendary Earp/Clanton family shoot-out. Stars Burt Lancaster and Kirk Douglas. Dir. Frank Perry. (June 10, 8 p.m.)



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by Todd James

a shot at respectability in this sci-fi astronomer who discovers an ex-tra-terrestrial message. His initial excitement turns to bewilderment as his employer (Ron Silver) tries to destroy the message and paint Zane as a crackpot. Striking out on his own, he discovers the aliens have already landed, morphed them-selves into human form and are hard at work turning Earth into a much warmer and cozier planet for much warmer and cozier planet for their particular life form. Written and directed by David Twohy, the man who wrote *The Fugitive, Alien* 3 and *Waterworld*, *The Arrival* works best when Zane is just steps. ahead of our heavenly visitors as he discovers a growing number of power plants springing up in Third World countries. The computergenerated aliens are suitably creepy, but two human characters work to less than special effect. A young neighbor of Zane's turns into a cheap and annoying excuse for an exposition and Teri Polo plays Zane's girlfriend, who may or may not be one of them. The story unravels to a less-than-satisfying conclusion, but for a cheap sci-fi fix, this will do. **(VV)**

MISSION: IMPOSSIBLE If you decide to accept this mission, brace yourself for a movie that doesn't quite live up to its high-powered quite live up to its night-powered advertising campaign. Tom Cruise does an adequate job of playing computer-toting IMF agent Ethan Hunt. He's suspected of treason after a botched mission leaves his after a botched mission leaves his crew dead or incapacitated—including Jon Voight as Jim Phelps, the only character from the original TV show. While dodging a CIA operative (Henry Czerny), Hunt assembles two disavowed agents (Ving Rhames and Jean Reno) to catch the real traiter with a computer. catch the real traitor with a computer disc containing the names of IMF agents as bait. The original theme music might be the best part of this movie that I believe could have used more action scenes— there are really only two big, nail-biting sequences and you've seen them both in the TV ads. (YVV)

DEAD MAN Set in the wild and weird west, Johnny Depp plays William Blake, an accountant who uses all his resources to head west for a job. When that fails to materialize and he's cast out by a greedy factory owner (Robert Mitchum), Blake becomes a fugitive when he accidentally kills a prostitute and the factory owner's son (Gabriel Byrne). During his flight he meets an indian named Nobody (Gary Farmer) who leads Blake on a mystical journey of awakening. Shot in black and white, Jarmusch gives the old west cold reality even as it stumbles along at a plodding pace. Fifteen minutes were shaved off the original cut, though another 30 could be lopped off and no one would notice. (VV)

EDDIE How many times do we have to suffer through the unorthodox-coach-takes-an-underachievingteam-to-the-finals storyline? Whoopi Goldberg can be good when she has the mind to, but she coasts through her role as Eddie Franklin, a Manhattan limousine driver and born-and bred Knicks fan. After winning a one-game stint as honorary coach, the new owner of the team, Wild Bill Burgess (Frank Langella) decides to shake up his losing franchise by nam-ing Eddie full-time honcho. Imagine our surprise when Eddie wins over the hearts of these overpaid and undermotivated players and puts the team on a winning streak. The writers of this drivel pulled material out of the big and well-used book of one-liners. (V)

FLIPPER It's a sure sign of summer when cute and cuddly creatures share marquee space with minor screen stars. Despite its obvious storyline, Flipper is a movie families will take to like fish to water. Elijah Wood (North, The War) plays Sandy, a moody teenager forced to spend the summer on a remote island with an ex-hippie uncle he hardly knows, played by Crocodile Dundee's Paul Hogan. Sandy evolves from a spoiled city kid to a likeable young adult after he be-friends an orphaned dolphin and takes on a shady islander played by perennial bad guy Jonathon Banks

(Wise Guy). Yes, Flipper is all wet at times, but with the wave of violent Hollywood blockbusters about to hit our shores. Flipper is also a welcome piece of fluffy entertain-ment for the whole family and boy, it ever hard to dislike a dolphin.

SPY HARD I loved all the Naked Gun movies, and I even managed to sit through Dracula: Dead and Loving It without putting a stake through my heart—but I've finally had enough of Leslie Nielsen in these types of mov-ies. Nielsen plays Dick Steele, also known as Agent WD40. His mission is to protect the world from General Rancor, played by Andy Griffith. This ain't no Mayberry as Nielsen and the rest of the cast, including Nicolette Sheridan, go through the motions trying to wrench laughs from tired gags. This has been done too often and so much better. (V)

TWISTER Twister is all special effects, no surprise considering Steven Spielberg serves as executive producer, the script is from Jurassic Park's Michael Chricton and Speed director Jan De Bont is at the helm. Plot is of little consequence as Helen Hunt and Bill Paxton play an estranged couple thrown back together during the largest series of storms to touch down in Oklahoma's Tor-nado Alley. Twister is at its best when the cyclones are touched down and spinning out of control not trying to whip up a maelstorm of love between Hunt and Paxton's characters. Credit them both for retaining some presence amidst the mammoth special effects and to the writers for not giving the storms some sort of villainous personality. This is just mother nature at its dead-

THE CRAFT Witchcraft in the hands of four high school outcasts can only mean deliciously evil fun. Robin Tinney plays Sarah, a newcomer to a southern California high school. She immediately falls in with a trio of outsiders. Their self-imposed leader Nancy (Fairuza Balk) takes Sarah into the group, convinced her powers will complete their coven. Soon the will complete their coven. Soon the four have tapped into dark powers and they each begin to fulfill their own wishes. Sarah casts a spell upon a troublesome boyfriend; Bonnie (Neve Campbell, Party of Five) magically rids herself of distiguring scars, Rochella (Rachel True)—the only black member of the coven—dishes out her own form of racism; and Nancy simply tabs into powers too. Nancy simply taps into powers too dark to control. The Craft never manages to really terrify, but there are enough chills to satisfy theatrego**VUE** Ratings

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Haar hosts Kiwanis night

BY STEVEN

The John L. Haar theatre will host an amateur night—of sorts.

The Kiwanis Singers will enter-tain music fans with a mixture of swing,

contemporary and gospel favorites Saturday night. The choir, made up of 45 voices, is a non-professional organization sponsored by

ed.ed by 20-year veteran Paula Roberts and accompanied by trumpet player Bob Tildsley, drummer Lyle Molzan and bassist Bob Miller, the singers will stroll through a bevy of favorites spanning several decades of musical history

Sing! Sing! promises to put a new spin on the pops—including standards such as "Steam Heat" and "Poison lvy" as well as newer jazzed-up tunes, like the them from Jim Carrey's Mask.

"These people aren't professional," says event cordinator Gail Redmond. "All they do is display a love for singing.

Redmond. "All they do is display a love for singing.

"Our singers are of all ages. We have some in their early 20s while some of the singers are in their late 60s."

While none of the singers have professional expertise, some have over 15 years of experience using their vocal chords melodically.

Amateurs? Yes. Rookies? No. They may not be pros, but Red-mond assures they can belt out a tune with the best of them.

Singi Singi Singi



A generic / Table co-production

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Frogs invade the suburbs

children are probably hop-

A logical solution is to take them to Musée Heritage Museum (5 St. Anne Street, St. Albert Place, St. Albert) and let them see leaping of a different kind.

This comprehensive exhibit of amphibian life arrives from Quebec. Realizing frogs are in fragile co-existence with man, the Redpath Museum at McGill University decided to put together a detailed examination of the webbed-footed wonders.

Starting at the earliest stages and ending at full growth, the mounted collections and explanations surround the chil-

Taking them on a step-bystep journey through a bug-eyed life is a chance for youngsters to better understand the animal that inspired such great works as Wind in the Willows, The Muppets and the Frogger video game.

However, this is not just a simple science lecture that moved from the classroom to the museum in order to trick childern. When kids enter, they are greeted by the croaking sounds of a large ceramic hop-

There are interactive sites to draw them in. In what seemed like an obscure form of furniture worship, many of the kids crowded around a large table. Closer examination re-vealed the table top was cov-ered with photos of dozens of amphibians in various stages of development. With magnifying glasses, the childern were able to closely examine many forms



While there, the kids may also choose to see what other children believe is art.

In the First Step and Next Step galleries, located at the other end of the building in the Arden Theatre, is the artwork of youth from Alberta's north. Varying from simple crayon scribinteresting survey of what artists are like before they learn enough to be pretentious.

Nine Frogs and a Toad Closes July 8

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Bard goes Celtic

THEATRE HY KONIAN

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t's a scene out of the film *The Player*, with Shadow Theatre Artistic Director Hudson as William Shakespeare pitching his latest play to me à là the studio

"The boys come back from war, they're randy, they hit town. One of them instantly falls in love with a

nit town. One of them instantly falls in love with a beautiful girl. There's a war of intellect between one of the soldiers and another woman.

"They set up a wedding, and the bad guys make it look like the hero (The character is actually named Hero and is played by Andrea House) has been unfaithful. During the wedding, the soldiers publicly disgrace and humiliate her and then all has to be worked out in the end."

That's all fine and dandy, but will it play in

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As the director of Much Ado About Nothing, As the director of much had habite voloning, Hudson, fresh from his Sterling Award nomination for outstanding Fringe direction in Another Two Hander or Two, realizes how tenuous Shakespeare's stay in the Exec's office would have been in this day

The prospect makes him laugh

it is a comedy. It's not the broad physical comedy of Two Gents of Verona or Taming of the Sbrew. It's more sophisticated than that. This is very dialogue and character driven. The stakes are very high through-

and character driven. The stakes are very high throughout. It's a tremendously fun play to work on."

Adds House, "The hero (Claudio) and heroine (Hero) are not stupid, but they're innocent, guilleless and completely new at this love thing. Hero is completely unversed about the physicality of love and takes her cue from her cousin, and—like a teenager—

tries to act beyond her years."

"But, what really moves the plot," says Hudson, "are the actions of the supporting players—all of the

Hudson has moved the time and place to a 12th

century Celtic setting.
"We've tried to remain faithful to the language of "We've tried to remain faithful to the language of the script. I think you clutter things up by bringing in cell phones or have the characters say, 'draw your swords' and they all pull out machine guns."

It really is *Much Ado about Nothing*.

"The title says it all," Hudson says, as he plays The Bard just waiting for that development cheque.

Much Ado About Nothing
Bus Barns North

Loads of fun at weddings

THEATRE BY AUDREY WEER ReVIIIf

ccent studies have determined that the leading cause of divorce is marriage. At Tony n' Tina's Wedding, it's only the audience that breaks up. Tony n' Tina's Wedding is the

Tony n' Tina's Wedding is the most interactive piece of theatre you're ever apt to attend. Upon arrival to the church, audience members are immediately adopted into the family and soon find themselves participating in the most hilarious wedding ever.

Seeing this ritual performed for entertainment value will also make you cringe.

Hearing spouses reciting personally penned poetry to their
heloved, the videotaping and photographing of every move, the
looks of panic as the wedding parnext: these moments are captured
to perfection by the cast and remind
us all of how horrifying the wedding
experience can be.

Tony and Tina both come from extremely volatile families. The honeymoon is over before it begins when the mayhem at the reception escalates to an absurd degree. Director Bradley Moss does a great job of keeping the action coming.

If anything, there is too much to watch. All the actors remain true to their characters throughout and fully indulge their emotional outbursts, whether the audience has had time to notice or not.

The best way to keep up is to become involved yourself: follow the actors who most intrigue you. Reticent audience members can expect to be gently nudged into the fun, but don't wait to be prodded.

The entire cast is superb, sharing focus and working together as an ensemble. Leslie Wilson and Jeff Halaby will make you howl as the couple most likely to get mono. Both Kurt Spenrath as the fast-talking, macho Dominic and Paul Herbert as the earnest priest are enormously charming. The band, playing all the tunes you'd expect to hear at a wedding, provide the perfect backdrop to the fast-paced events.

The amount of concentration and energy given out by this cast will sweep you off your feet. If you don't fall in love with *Tony n' Tina's Wedding*, count yourself as a sorry statistic.

Tony n' Tina's Wadding Garneau United Church Closes July 29



Cast members of Tony n' Tina's Wedding mug it up at the reception. Hey, where's the Shmenge brothers?

We Canadians are a bloody lot

COMEDY BY ADRIAN

PreVUE

Once upon a time, our benign nation was at war with our neighbors to the south.

Facing insurmountable odds, we invaded their capital city and burnt down the White House. (Whereas their own citizens can only offer token distruction to the edifice by spraying automatic gunfire in its general direction every six months or so.)

Americans don't talk much about this war, but if the tables were turned—and it was their drunken militia who burned down the Parliament Building—you can bet your last loonie there'd be a miniseries based on the incident.

The sad truth is, we don't talk about the time we kicked some scrious Yankee butt either. The latest project from the Three Dead Trolls in a Baggie/Atomic Improv amalgamation (remember Cold Fusion?) is about to change all of that.

War of 1812's writers Wes Borg and Paul Mather discussed the play. "It was written by us," says Mather, "But with additional dialogue by the others."

The "others" are Joe Bird, Donovan Workun and director Stephen Heatley, who has direct-

ed Troll shows in the pass

"The difference this time," says Borg, "is that he didn't do it for the money."

Ignorance of the Police Action of 1812 is understandable.

"If you grew up in certain parts of Ontario and Quebec [that was once known as Lower Canada]," Borg says, "There's a chance that you might know about the war because there are enough monuments and battle-sight markers that make it tough to be ignorant about it.

"If you grew up in the States you'd never hear about it. And if you did hear about it, the information would go something like, 'Oh, the, ah, Canadians—er, British—came down to Washington and they only burnt down the library, and not the White House, repeat, not the White House!"

"The reason it's downplayed in our school curriculums," Mather chips in, "is that we're suppose to be friends with them."

"But, we're not," says Borg. "In fact, we hate them. In turn, they ignore us, which is much worse."

The narrative thread has Pierre Berton taking a Canadian boy, who has lost all patriotism and thinks Canada is nothing more that a suburb of America, on a trip back in time on a magical birchbark canoe.

"The Magic Birchbark Canoes of Time are a

reward to all Canadian celebrities who don't move to the States," says Borg

One of the technical innovations that the play brings to audiences is Digital Mono Happy Sound $^{\infty}$.

Unlike boring old Surround Sound—which puts you in the center of the action—DMHS is a process that "compresses the sound and spits it out in one location: A place very close to the speakers."

One of the sounds coming out of this advance of science is the voice of Pierre Berton.

Explains Mather, "We wanted to get Arthropolic C. Clarke to introduce Cold Fusion (Last year's Troll/Atomic show), but we decided we liked him too much to bother him. For this year, we left a message at Pierre Berton Enterprises for him to leave his intro on Wes's answering machine."

Borg picks up the story: "It was first thing in the morning, and I picked up the phone to hear Berton's voice. I talked to Pierre Berton in my underwear!"

"How did Pierre Berton get into your underwear?" asks Mather

"We like to swap," says Borg

War of 1812 The New Varscons Theatre Closes June 15

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For an information package and submission application, interested artists may contact the:

Edmonton Concert Hall Foundation 10160 103 Street, Edmonton, Alberta T5J 0X6 Phone: 429-1992

Information packages and application forms are also available at the Glenbow Museum, Calgary and the Edmonton Art Gallery.

No proposal will be considered unless it is accompanied by an official application form. Deadline for receipt of completed applications is **August 29**, 1996.



THE ARTS

Mac grads get Dirty Feet

DANCE BY LAGIBSA BANYING PreVUE

opportunities for young, talented graduates are few and far between these days, regardless if you are fresh out of law or engineering school. So what avenues are open to neophyte choreographers in River City?

While the answer is "not many," eight plucky Grant MacEwan graduates have decided to create their own destiny and have joined forces as Dirty Feet, E-town's unique dance collective. This weekend plays host to the two-year-old company's latest production, an intriguing evening titled Tattoo Rooms

Oream connections

"The show is very dream connected," explains dancer/choreographer Dorrie Deutschendorf. "Visions from dreams form the basis for all the work in the show. Each dance piece is spliced together like a dream—not making sense in a linear fashion but flowing from one into another. The one constant is the dreamer, who is the audience."

Joining Deutschendorf on this journey into the subconscious are Danielle Always, Allyn Embree, Kathy Metzger, Sylvia Nuzwo Philis, Kathy Ochoa, Tony Olivares and Tracy Tiherington, who all shared the feeling of being all suited up with no place to go.

"We were at college and wanted an opportunity to present our work," continues Deutschendorf. "There are very few companies to work with in the city and—while Brian Webb does present emerging choreographers throughout the year—we wanted to have more opportunities. We wanted to get on with it, get Edmonton to see dance. There is so much talent in

this city, yet there are lots of waitresses who are dancers. The biggest problem facing all of us is that there is nowhere to present our work."

Working without any grants or funding, Dirty Feet has performed in atypical performance venues, including the Fringe and downtown warehouses

They can do this thanks to creative fundraising and lots of hard work (each dancer doubles or triples in a variety of other administrative positions)

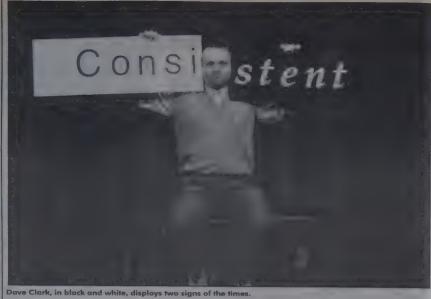
Utopian collective

The result is a "social utopia," a true collective where each member has an equal say in the direction the company takes.

"We really want people to experience dance and bring them into different environments so they are not just watching but are truly a part of it," says Deutschendorf. "With Tattoo Rooms, the space is very box-like so the audience is in close proximity with the dancers. They will be able to hear the dancers's breathing, their exertion, making it a more intimate experience.

"Tattoo Rooms is modern dance and it is abstract, just like our dream patterns, but it isn't too abstract. The biggest challenge for dancers today is broadening the audience, as there tends to be a perception that contemporary dance is exclusive or unattainable. I feel that people who go to art galleries should attend the show. Dance is very natural to the human body and is visually stimulating. We try to make our dances aesthetically pleasing for the audience, and I think that anyone who comes out will be challenged while also being entertained."

Tattoo Rooms Grant MacEwan Jasper Place Campus June 7-8



Scientist cries wolf

TMEATRE BY ARANI AKSLAHIAN PreVIII

plays are for playing—as in, youplay! They're not all supposed to be about suddenly-bankrupt Russian families in crumbling estates, mourning for Moscow... Moscow...! and screaming at the servants for coffee.

Really? I bad no idea!

Well It's time to set you straight, Gentle Readers. Generic Theatre and its cohorts are just the sort to do it. Steppenpuppy: The Uncertainty Principle, a Generic-Table co-production (there seems to be more and more of those these days) plays at the Thrust theatre June 6-15 and wants to slap you around until you laugh, you anal bastards.

"We believe that if you can do it on television or film, it doesn't belong on stage," says director Eileen Sproule.

Touted as a philosophical comedy about finance, physics, previous lives, wolves, duality meditation and chicken, the audience encounters Harry (Dave Clarke), a stoic physicist, who comes to blows with the general nuttiness of the universe.

"He's lived very comfortably within his own science and how it explains everything," playwright David Orrell says. "But a slow belief that he might be a wolf

conflicts with this."

Okay... so this guy is walking along, minding his own beeswax, and, KAPOW (Araxi watched far too much Batman as a child - Ed.) he thinks he's a wolf?

"The wolf inside is the unexplained," he says. "The more he tries to explain it, the more he believes he actually is a wolf. Logic demands it."

Featuring a chiaroscuro set by Beatriz Leon, the yin-yang walk-don't walk conflict of this piece features the appropriate foils... like a psychic waiter, for instance. Dave Boechler will give us the honor of a rare performance.

But hold on! Is this true what I hear? Mr. John Ullyat, white-boy extraordiniare, will be assuming the position of a Latin lounge singer? Did he do any... ahem.. research for such a pelvo-centric role?

for such a pelvo-centric role?
"Not really." The Sterling Award winner says.

It's a fiery decline from certainty to uncertainty that puts the salsa in this production. If you like your food cut up for you into bite-size pieces, this ain't the play for you. The rest of you, get on the bus and repeat after me...

- ...Plays are for playing...
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 ...Plays are for playing...

...Plays are for playing...

Steppenpuppy: The Uncertainty Principle Thrust Theatre June 6-15

Street Vue By Klodyne Rodney

So, Darrin "Talent Machine"Hagen (long time since he's been in this column) and David Clarke will each be receiving a Sterling Award this year. The Sterling jury went ballistic when it found out she Sound Design category had been dropped from this year's ballot. The Sterlings, which celebrate excellence in the Edmonton theatrical community, will be held on June 24 in the Mayfield Dinner Theatre. Darrin will be receiving his for work done on the Phoenix Theatre's VIGIL, while David will be his for work done on Ken Brown's LETTERS IN WARTIME, produced by Workshop West.

Speaking of the Sterlings, THE JOHNNY AND POKI HOUR, the late night comedy show that plays Saturdays at 11 p.m. at the Varscona Theatre, hosted a fundraiser June 1. One hundred and fifty people showed up to take in this variety show which feature Dana Anderson as Johnny and Jeff Haslam as Poki. Onstage was a stellar cast of local thespians. Perlormer/designer Roger Shultz did a hilanous Las Vegas-styled, polyester-clad version of "Daddy Don"t You Walk'so

Fast" and the immensely talented Stephanie Wolfe, funny-woman extraordinaire, performed a demented jazz scat version of "Counting My Blessings." In a repeat performance of one of her funniset ONE WOMAN, ONE MINUTE sketches, Andrea House dialed her way through the life, times and death of Marilyn Moncoe — what a multi-talented dynamo she is. One of the most beautiful voices in Edmonton, that belonging to Sheri Sommerville, did a wonderful version of "My Funny Valentine."

And the Sterling stuff just keeps coming! The Sterling Jury for the upcoming season has been announced and I hope it survives the summer. The 13 lucky people with the responsibility of seeing a minimum of 40 shows this season are: performers Stephanie Wolf. Jeff Page, John Rwet, James MacDonald, and Richard Gishler, technical people, Michelle Chan and Todd Hurley; designers Erin Haid and Darrin "Talent Marchine" Hagen, Stage Polaris folk Leslie Bland and Marie Nychka, and is rounded out by James Defelice and Joan Hawkins.

Incredibly, with the season starting May 15, the jury members will be seeing a record number of summer productions. By the time Fringe rolls around, they will have seen 13 shows! They then get to take a break while the Fringe jury takes over (theyburn these folks out in 10 days) and then return in September. Interestingly enough, three of this summer's shows are Shakespeare's: Onion Theatre's ROMEO AND JULIET, Shadow Theatre's MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTH-ING (which opens June 6) and the Freewill Players' TAMING OF THE SHREW.

From feast to famine, more info on what Darrin "Talent Machine" Hagen is doing (if you remember, I lost the bet that I could squeeze him into every column). Our boy has just completed the composition for the documentary shot last summer on the Edmonton Street Performer's Festival. Produced and directed by Steve Glassman, the show features the late night madness of festival favourites Mump & Smoot, and is hosted by Rough Cuts' Neil I srahin, a former member of Three Dead Trolls in A Baggle. Believe it or not, the show gets a nation-wide airing July 1 as the first program in an evening of specials celebrating Canada Day, Yeah, Edmonton!

Now onto another industry and another talented group of locals. Jessica Shoenberg and her band are just one of the

the Canadian Organization of Campus Activities (COCA) conference, hosted by the university, May 25-31. According to mom and actress Judy Mahbey, (who was last seen playing Hannah Pitt in Manitoba Theatre Centre's production of ANGELS IN AMERICA, directed by Edmonton's Jim Guedo) she's not giving up the thrill of performing, but she is having a blast booking her kid's gigs, I'm tellin' ya, she must be doing something right, because following Jessica's smokin' performance Sunday afternoon, Judy started to get all kinds of offers to book the band onto the lucrative post-secondary circuit. In addition to that, the band has just received notification that Pat Cardinal, music programmer, is adding "Everywhere I Go," off its self-titled CD, to the rotation schedule of Power 92's Buzz Cuts. These are singles which usually get on Vue columnist Gary McGowan's Post Modern Sunday. Judy and Jessica have also been informed that the Downhill Riders are booking them for the Okanagan Music Festival during the first weekend of August. All the acts haven't been booked as yet, but word is that the Odds are one of the many being considered. For those who've never had the chance to hear this gal and her band play, head down to the Sidetrack Cafe on June 18 They're DEFINITELY worth the cover charge.

local artists that played the showcases at

To continue in COCA land for a moment, big thanks have to go to Katherine Huising, programming goddess over at the U of A. Her and her team put together a wicked event. Showcases, debates, education sessions, shmoozing and meetings that attracted hundreds of industry professionals and dozens of acts from across the country. If a bomb had gone off at the Convention Centre, Canada would have lost a BIG chunk of its music industry. One of the major draws was keynote speaker Terry McBride, one of the founding members of Nettwerk Productions, which manages the careers of acts like the Barenaked Ladies. Terry is also the personal manager of Sarah McLachlan. I'm damned proud of the U of A for attracting him.

Even though the Alberta Motion Picture Development Corporation (AMPDC) no longer exists (##%), there's no other way to be polite) for the moment there's still production happening in Edmonton. A remake of In Cold Blood is scheduled to happen this summer with the cast to include local performers Isobel Smith and Lindsey Campbell. Over at Jake and The Kid, Michael Spencer-Davis (recently seen in the Phoenix production of VIGIL) and Chad Krowchuk have just signed year-long contracts. My fingers are crossed that J&TK survives past this year without provincial (##&b) support.

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Italian snacks at a good price

FOOD BY YVE SYAIV

Working in the fast-paced ex-istence of downtown Edmonton often means sacrificing your palette to the "Gods of Grease Fortunately, there is an Italian

Centrally located Zenari's is a sensible stop for quick food that isn't pre-cooked and stored in a heat storage unit. For starters, or as a light meal, the eatery offers salads and a wide range of Focac-cia bread. The bread, which comes in a range of vegetable and cheese flavors, is best when served with a tangy herb vinaigrette. This is a must and costs but \$1.50 a loaf

Following that are three main food choices. There is daily pasta selection, Mufalettas (grilled Italian sandwiches which feature an assortment of cheeses, meats and spicy vegetables) and, of course,

the great Crustoni, a tangy pizza-like concoction served on a bed of sourdough bread

These items hold about 20 possible dining choices

Although not baked in-house, the desserts are marvelous

They come from Gourmet Goodies. The baker who used to display her wares at Café Select has moved. Now she offers her fabulous desserts to those dining at Zenari's. The Tiramisu is simply decadent; but for a real treat, try the ultra-rich chocolate-banana torte or the fruit flan

Unless you order something from the wine list, lunch shouldn't run more than \$10 per person Zenari's is recommended for the diner who's turned off fast foodbut likes fast food prices.

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SAT 15: Punched Unconscious, guests

SAT 8: King Letus, FP2K TUE 11: Cinnamon SAT 15: Queasy, Placebo

THE REV

10030-102 Street, 423-7820 THU 6: Chixdiggit, SIANspheric, SAT 8: Make It Big-80's Retro Party SAT 15: Lagwagon, Screw 32, Slugger

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10335-105 Street, 425-2414 every WED: Agro Wednesdays

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10240-115 Avenue, 413-0147 SUN 9: J Church, 10 Days Late, Slugge

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Albert's, Sherwood Park Mall, 467-0808 every WED: Gray Blues Jam THU 13-SAT 15: Thomas Alexander Band

BACKSTREET CAFE

106 Peron Street, 458-7575 FRI 14: Martin Sattler

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10329-82 Avenue, 439-5058 every SAT: Blues Jam THU 6-SAT 8: Cold Feet MON 10-SAT 15: Ray Eastman

CENTRE FOR SELF AWARE-**NESS**

7621-101 Avenue, 481-2993 FRI 7: Follow Your Dreams Musical Concert with Marilyn Rose & Greg Paul

CITY MEDIA CLUB

6005-103 Street (CKER Building), 433-5183 FRI 7: Mark Davis & Old Reliable

Luann Kowalek SAT 8 aft: Piemyn, King Letus (All Ages) SAT 8: Piemyn, Painting Daisies, Pal Joey FRI 14: Brother Ray Lemelin SAT 15: Dusty Chaps, the Silver Bishops

CLUB CAR

11948-127 Avenue, 451-1498 FRI 7-SAT 8: Tim Ward FRI 14-SAT 15: Denis & the Menace

THE DINER

6605-99 Street, 448-1369 every SAT: Scottie Stewart

FIDDLER'S ROOST

8906-99 Street, 461-1358 every WED: Bluegrass Jam Sessi

H2O LOUNGE

10044-82 Avenue, 433-5794 every SUN: Jam with Kris Craig & the

GASOLINE ALLEY

10993-124 Street, 448-0181 FRI 7-SAT 8: Colour Blind

GLOBAL VISIONS

Hanger 1, Municipal Airport, 439-8744 SAT 8: Tilo Paiz, Maracujah

GRINDER

10957-124 Street, 453-1769 FRI 7: Grin, Cone of Silence SAT 8: Headlong Walker SUN 9: the Swingin Ya Band FRI 14-SAT 15: Tacoy Ryde SUN 16: Rusty Reed

LA HABANA CLUB

10238-104 Street, 424-5939 FRI 7-SAT 8: Los Caminantes

SAWMILL

116 Street and 104 Avenue, 429-2816 FRI 7-SAT 8: the Joint Chiefs FRI 14-SAT 15: Swingin' Ya Band

SECOND CUP OLIVER SOUARE

11640-104 Avenue, 451-2326 FRI 7: Saving Grace FRI 14: Sven Blvd

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11210 Jasper Avenue,

SAT 8: Doghouse Riley SAT 15: Kemi Anderson

SIDETRACK CAFE

10333-112 Street, 421-1326 THU 6-FRI 7: Jack Semple, Smokin' Frogs SAT 8: Wise Monkey Orchestra, Godiva

Gary McGowan's PROfiles

Name: Lorilee Brooks.

Notoriety: Country singer songwriter and performer. "My thang springs from the traditional side of the country spectrum."

Next gig: June 8 at the New West Hotel (15025-111th Ave.).

Most Important Thing Ever Learned: Rome wasn't built in a day. First Concert Attended: I was about ten and I saw Buck Owens play at the Centennial Auditorium in Saskatoon.

Most Creative Time of the Day:

Fantasy: To be on my own private
"Rive Lagroon" pot necessarily alone of

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Favourite TV Show: Biography on A&E

Age: Most of me is still 12.1 can't break but of the Walt Disney World of my

nything You Wouldn't Wear:



Those palazzo pants, they make me look four feet shorter than I already am. If You Were an Animal, You'd Be:

Favourite Movie: Dr. Zhiyago

Epitaph: She died trying

Last Book Read: Jodie Foster's autobi-What Makes You Happy: My son

First Album Bought: When I was five

MON 10: Wise Monkey Orchestra, the Big

TUE 11: Reuben Phero, Soft WED 12-THU 13: Little Mike & the

FRI 14: Mike McDonald Band, Capt. Nemo-SAT 15: Feeding Like Butterflies

STONE AGE

103 Street & 81 Avenue, 488-8180 every TUE: Square Dog Jam Night

SUGARBOWL

10922-88 Avenue, 437-4786 FRI 7: Confluence SAT 8: Twisted Pickers SAT 15: Martin Sattler

WESTWOOD UNITARIAN

11135-65 Avenue, 430-0724 SAT 15: Sheela Na Gigh

COUNTRY

BILLY BOB'S

Continental Inn, 16625 Stony Plain Road, 484-7751

THU 6-SAT 8: Don Cook

MON 10-SAT 15: Rick Simpso

COOK COUNTY SALOON

103 Street & 80 Avenue, 432-COOK THU 6-SAT 8: Brett Barrow WED 12-SAT 15: Twango Bango

COWGIRLS

5708-75 Street, 462-2855 THU 6-SAT 8: Texarcana

DIAMOND'S PUB

Cromdale Hotel, 8115-118 Ave, 477-3565 every SUN-MON: Karaoke THU 6-SAT 8: Wichita THU 13-SAT 15: White Line Fever

FIDDLER'S ROOST

8906-99 Street, 461-1358 every THU: Old Time Fiddle Jam Session SAT 8: Old Time Dance with the Leftovers

MUSTANG SALOON

16648-109-Avenue, 444-7474 THU 6-SUN 9: Gord Barnford TUE 11-SUN 16: Fire Heart

NADDY'S

12011-168 Street, 481-3569 THU 6-FRI 7: Fred Mann THU 13-SAT 14: Barry Paetz

NEW WEST HOTEL

15025-111 Avenue, 489-2511 THU 6-SAT 8: Lorilee Brooks MON 10-SAT 15: Lorilee Brooks

RATTLESNAKE SALOON

9261-34 Avenue, 438-8878 THU 6-SUN 9: Waterhole

BOAD HOUSE

Continental Inn, 16625 Stony Plain Road,

THU 6-SAT 8: Mickie Lynn & Blue Denim THU 13: Christina Hall-hypnotist

SANDS MOTOR INN

12340 Fort Road, 474-5476 every FRI-SAT: Second Chance Band every SUN: Jam

SAYLER'S COUNTRY

SHOWROOM

Continental Inn, 16625 Stony Plain Road, 988-3372

THU 6-FRI 7: Peski & Whyte THU 13-SAT 15: Sayler Rein

TRANSIT HOTEL 12720 Fort Road, 475-5714 THU 6-SAT 8: Driving Roads THU 13-SAT 15: Mickie Lynn & Blue Denim

WILD WEST 12912-50 Street, 476-3388 every SAT aft: Jam THU 6-SAT 8: Kidd Country

POP & ROCK

ANDRETTI'S

Albert's, Sherwood Park Mall, 467-0808 THU 6-SAT 8: Steel Blue Band

BLACK DOG

10439-82 Avenue, 439-1082 SAT 8 aft: Mike MacDonald SAT 15 aft: Bill Bourne

BOILER DOWNTOWN

COLISEUM

Northlands, 451-8000 SAT 8: Ozzy Osbourne, Filter

HMV

WcM, 444-3381 THU 13: Barenaked Ladies

IKE N' IGGY'S 10620- 82 Avenue, 433-9411 every WED: Ultimate Jam Sessions THU 6-SAT 8: Dead Famous TUE 11: the Strong Gray Blues

UBILEE AUDITORIUM

11455-87 Avenue, 451-8000 THU 13: Bare Naked Ladies

CAT 15: Weird Al Yankovic KING'S KNIGHT PUB

9221-34 Avenue, 433-2599 every SUN: Open Stage with Leigh Friesen FRI 7-SAT 8: China White FRI 14-SAT 15: Dash Riprock

RAVEN PUB

8232-103 Street. FRI 7-SAT 8. Dale Ladouceur &

Barry Nighswander FRI 14-SAT 15: Bill Bourne ROCK CENTRAL

10812 Kingsway Avenue, 479-4266 THU 6-SAT 9: Fear

ROSE BOWL

10111-117 Street, 482-5152 every SUN: Jam SAT 8: Mike & Sherry-lee SAT 15: Steve Loree

THUNDERDOME

9940 Argyll Road, 433-DOME every WED: Wedge Wednesdays MON 10: Gowan VINNY'S

805 Saddleback Road, 435-3888 FRI 7-SAT 8: Jake & the Fatmar FRI 14-SAT 15: See N' Double

WINESTREET

10815 Jasper Avenue, 448-0037 FRI 7-SAT 8: Strong Gray Blues Trlo FRI 14-SAT 15: Debbie Boodram Trio

YESTERDAY'S LOUNGE

112-205 Carnegie Drive, St Albert, 459-0295 FRI 7-SAT 8: Catfish Trobadour FRI 14-SAT 15: the Tomatoes

IAZZ

FIGGS

12520-102 Avenue, 452-5130 SAT 8: Mike Rudd FRI 14: Affie Zappacosta SAT 15: Sheri Somerville Quartet

HELLO DELL

10725-124 Street, 454-8527 THU 13: A Tribute to Bob Stroup

IAZZ BEANS

10322-111 Street, 424-6182 SAT 8: Rollanda Lee Duo NINA'S

FRI 7-SAT 8: Brian Chan, Brian Sim, and Erroll Zastre

SELECT

10180-101 Street, 429-2752 FRI 31-SAT 1: Andrew Glover FRI 14: Noelle Lukinuk Trio

YARDBIRD SUITE

0203-86 Avenue, 432-0428 every TUE: Jazz Jams FRI 31-SAT 1: Creative Oppurtunity Orchestra

LOCAL PUBS

BEAUIOLAIS LOUNGE

5017-50 Street, 929-5515 every THU: Karaoke

BLUE QUILL 326 Saddleback Road, 434-3124 every SAT; Karaoke

BOILER DOWNTOWN

CROWN & DERBY NEIGHBORHOOD INN

FABIO'S PLACE

10625-51 Avenue, 434-5666 every FRI-SAT: Dining and Dancing with Ko Dag Marko

FROG & NIGHTGOWN

9013-88 Avenue, 469-8165 FRI 7-SAT 8: Elmer Roland FRI 14-SAT 15: Derek Sigurdson

HIO PUB

10044-82 Avenue, 433-5794 every SUN & TUE: Karaoke

LIBERTY LOUNGE 5104-93 Street, 434-4484 every SAT: Karaoke

LION'S HEAD PUB

4440 Calgary Trail, 437-6010 THU 6-SAT 8: Tony Dizon

MONK A NUN PUB

8204 Jasper Avenue, 429-1248 every THU: Open Jam

NESKOTNN

1103-3 Street, 955-7744 every WED: Karaoke

OLLIE'S

9945-50 Street, 466-3232 every MON & THU: Karaoke

9912-82 Avenue, 432-0188 every WED: Karaoke

REAL DOWN HOME PUB

9227-111 Avenue, 448-0441 every WED Karaoke

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Rm 189, Theatre Lab, Grant MacEwan, JP Campus, 439-8241

A dreamscape collage through the images of the mind

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First Presbyteran, 10025-105 Street, 479-3566 Featuring William Street, Sylva Shaddick-Taylor, Fordyce Pier, and Rudy Wiebe

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ALL AGES ALTERNATIVE GIG

Spruce Avenue Community Centre, 10240-115 Avenue, 413-0147

SUN

Featuring J Church, 10 Days Late, and Slugger Time: 4:00pm; Tix: \$5

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Fort Edmonton Park, Fox Dr. & Whitemud, 496-8771

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IN CONCERT John L Haar Theatre, Grant MacEwan, JP Campus, 433-9910

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Time: 2:00pm & 8:00pm; Tix: adult \$10, student/senior \$8 10 MOII

LAWRENCE GOWAN IN CONCERT

Thunderdome, 9944 Argyll Road, 433-DOME Current album The Good Catches Up Time: doors 6:30pm; Tix: \$9.95

WED

JOHN BYNER'S COMEDY HITS THE ROAD

Garneau Theatre, 8712-109 Street

Featuring Byner and other bizarre comedians like Derek Edwards, John Rogers, and Brent Butt Time: 8:00pm; Tb: \$22.89

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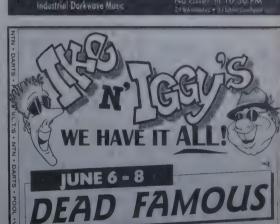
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GALLERIES -SHOWS OPENING

EAGLE ONE GALLERY

9205A Argyll Rd, 435-5384 Works by Norma Jerome and Karen Amett. Thru June Open reception THU 6, 7-9 PM.

THE FRONT

Jim Vest small oil and acrylic paintings.

Opening reception FRI 14, 7-9 PM. June 14-22.

HARCOURT HOUSE GALLERY

3rd Floor, 10215-112 St,

BROWN PAPER PACKAGES TIED UP WITH STRING: WECAN membership show Until July 13. Opening reception THU 6, 7:30 PM. KATHLEEN LAYERTY GALLERY

10411-124 St, 488-3619

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THE NEXT GENERATION

EXPLORING EARTHLY DELIGHTS, MUNDANE AND BEYOND: Ceramic artists Carol and Richard Selfridge. Until June 15.

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NEW PERMANENT COLLECTION EXHIBITION
SPACES: Organized by Vancouver curator John
O'Brana, professor in the department of fine art
University of BC. Ongoing.
VOLUMES: ARTISTS' BOOKWORKS FROM
ALBERTA COLLECTIONS: Organized by the
EAG for the Alberta Foundation for the Arts
Travelling Exhibition Programme. Until June 20.
PICTURING TIME: Alberta artists who
incorporate the element of time in their art
production. Until June 30.
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CANADIAN CHILDREN'S BOOK ILLUSTRA-TIONS: THE CANSCAIP COLLECTION: Onginal at by Canadian children's book illustrators. Including Phobe Gilman, Michael Martchenko, Barbara Red, Kady MacDonald-Denton, Maryann Kovalski et al. Until June 20
PROJECT ROOM # 6: OUT OF SIGHT: A "nonque-in-cheel" reflection, and a critique of attitudes, processes and procedures applied by museum "professionals" over decades of collecting.

FAB GALLERY

U of A, 1-1 Fine Arts Bldg, 112 St, 89 Ave, 492-2081 ANNUAL EXHIBITION OF SENIOR PRINTMAK-ING: Awards sponsored by KPMG. Until June 9.

FOYER GALLERY Centennial Library, 7, Sir Winston Churchill Sq. 497-7070

PAINTING III. Brush and ink on rice paper by artist James Kwong. Until June 17.

LATITUDE 53

10137-104 St, 423-5353

DOORS: An exhibition of over twenty artists works. First Nations artists and artists of color. The theme of the work is "home". Free standing wood-frame doorways, created/renovated doors, and works that challenge the very notion of doors Until June 14

MCMULLEN GALLERY

U of A Hospital, 8440-112 St., 492-4211 CONTEMPORARY QUILTS: Laune Sobie and Judy Villett. Until June 30.

PASSION 8 POTTERS: Celebration of contemporary pots for use. Until June 30.

PROFILES GALLERY

110 Grandin Park Plaza, 22 Sir Winston Churchill Ave, St. Albert, 460-4310

DARYL RYDMAN, ALLEN BALL: Photo-based paintings by Daryl Rydman. The Fanklin Mint by Allen Ball. Until June 29.

9A. Edmonton Centre, lower level, 426-4520 New arists: Clis parifings by Igor Postash (Ukrane). Printmaking by I.Samecka-Dabrown (U of A); Photogrophy by Nicole Sebok (NAIT); Acrylics by Victona Burton.

ARTISTICALLY SPEAKING ART STUDIO

Callingwood Sq. 6717-177 St, 487-6559 STILL LIFE SENSATIONS: large oil canvases, clay sculptures by local artist Jean Birnie BFA.

THE ARTISTS MARKET PLACE

BEARCLAW

10403-124 St, 482-1204

BUIGERAIKMET

10334-109 St, 433-9384

BETH'S GARDEN: New paintings by Jill Hiscox.

CAFE SOLEIL

10360 Whyte Ave,

MOTHER: A series of paintings by Sandra Stevenson. LIFE: New works by sculptor Sharon Moore-Foster. Through June.

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KEVIN SERIN A JEFFREY GRAHAM: Figurative ceramic southures, paintings and drawings by two emerging artists. Until June 13.
IST STEP AND NEXT STEP GALLERIES

den Theatre, St.Albert Pl, 5 St. Anne St, St. Alt

THE FRINGE GALLERY

The Pant Spot, BSMT, 10516 Whyle Ave, 432-0240 LUMEN: ProjectionInstallation with sculptures by Clint Wilson. Until June 29.

GALERIE WOLTIEN

http://www.woltjenart.ab.ca Exhibit on the Internets W

GIORDANO GALLERY

208 Empire Bidg, 10080 Jasper Ave, 429-5066 Works by Barbara Ballachey, Phill Mann, David Bolduc. Open Wed & Sat.

IML GALLERY

New works in oil by local artist Diane Southworth. Until June 16. Acrylic, water color and mixed-media by Joyce Kamikura. June 17-July 12.

NOBLE CACTUS

10752-124 St, 455-9922

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201, 10324-82 Ave, 439-9026 Art by Virgil J. Tonn, reproductions Duk-Ju-Lee. Carvings & jewellery by Allan Munro. ROWLES & PARHAM

DESIGN GALLERY

Royal LaPage Bldg, 10130-103 St, 426-4035 New works by Elaine Tweedy. Thru June. Commerce Place Galleria,10135-102 St

Monoponts by Norm Dallin. Until June 27.

Westin Hotel, Carvery, 10135-102 St
New works by Jo Peterson and Alan Buckel.

SPECIAL-T-GALLERY

294 Saddeback Rd, 437-192
Onginals by Alberta ansist: Audrey Hammuller-pastel landscapes, Sophia Podryhuia Shaw & Steve Mits-paintings, Stella Kaulman-drawings & masks. Until June 8. Jean Tali, Eileen Raucher Sutton. Croft Sparatt. June 10-July 2.

STRATHCONA PLACE CENTRE

10831 University Ave, 433-6807
FROM THE GREAT LAKES WATER TO THE
ALBERTA PARKLANDS: Sketches and water
colors by Barbara Jefferys Allen. Until June 21.

10344-134 St. 452-0286

Recent floral and landscape paintings by Colette Goun Nilsen. Paintings that emphasize movement, light and color.

VICTORIA ART GALLERY

Victoria School, 101 St, Kingsway Ave,

A CELEBRATION OF THE ART WORK FROM THE YEAR: Works from students in grades 7-12.

WEST END

12308 Jasper Ave, 488-4892
BIG SKY CANVASSES: landscapes by Jim
Stokes; FACE BOWL S & VESSELS: glass works
by Mark Gibeau, Until June 13. COAST TO
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McKay Ave Sch, 10425-99 Ave, 422-1970

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JN 16: VOYAGEUR CANOE TRIPS,

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SUN 16: Father's day Folly MUSEE HERITAGE MUSEUM SLAtbert Pf, 5 St. Anne St. St. Albert,

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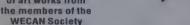
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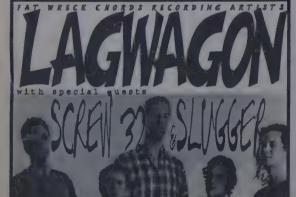
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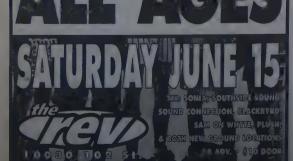
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Aquarius: A high-energy period of slaying inertia with action. A period of maintaining profile for a limited time, keeping ears posted for offers. Old forms of control are losing importance—it's just a matter of months before conquering is enjoyed. Watch your feet. Watch For: A Cancer to walk away from. Scor-ple to help transform expectations. An Aries to

Pisces: Completion was realized in the last two months. A union, a marriage of ideals may be forthcoming—at least in planning. You must decide on two offers that can be promising, career-wise. Decision are based on fall/winter shortcoming. Don't allow sunbleaching to dull important time-based commitments. Meantime, it's a part-time thing of just hanging and enjoying the season for what it offers. Watch for: A Capricorn to write off. A Leo to talk of glories or rendezvous with. A Virgo to hang with.

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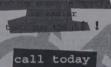
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